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Column One
By David Courtney

TRAVEL, we are told, broadens the mind. It may also have the effect of broadening "spheres of influence"; or at any rate of paring down competitors' spheres of influence. It leads to trade, particularly in armaments; although Marshal Bulganin and Mr. Khrushchev made their deal with Egypt, through Czechoslovakia, without a visit to the banks of the Nile. The gadabout Russians are now in India exchanging compliments, absorbing admiration, and, from all accounts, leaving their footmarks clearly imprinted on the neutralist carpet laid down for them by Mr. Nehru. They are offering, not arms but industrial enterprises, electric power stations, hydro-electric projects and even Soviet "know-how" in the matter of atomic energy for peaceful purposes.

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IT would be pleasant to think that future competition between Eastern bloc and Western bloc will be within this range of industrial development. There is ample room for the development and perhaps for the competition as well. And it is just possible that Soviet Russia has learned from the United States that the imperialism of the past has been replaced by the technician's consulship and that influence henceforth is not a matter of ideology but of positive contributions to a rising standard of living. Trade does not follow the flag today and gunboat-policy is as out of date as the gunboats themselves. Point-Four and its associate American measures have taken the place of all that and the Soviet, it would seem, has decided not to lag behind.

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THE trouble is that former colonial or semi-colonial countries have a taste for what is called neutralism; and that neutralism in this sense means suspicion of the colonial Powers and their friends and a proportionate tendency to edge in the direction of Powers with only minor colonial antecedents. That is to say, most Asiatic neutralism works out to the advantage of Soviet Russia and the disadvantage of the West. It accounts for the fact that Moscow has evidently decided to try out its new-found benevolence as well as the wares of its factories (including the Skoda works) in the Middle East and India, and to send to India Marshal Bulganin, Mr. Khrushchev and an impressive entourage as emissaries in the name of peace and prosperity, both of which, of course, are as neutral as can be and need never go beyond "commercial transactions."

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THE fact that Marshal Bulganin's mission to India has taken on some of the pomp of a Durbar is perhaps natural. He and his party were pelted with flowers and hung with garlands by crowds bigger than ever came to see a Viceroy. Their aircraft, which that morning had flown from Tashkent over the high mountains to Delhi (and so put out of countenance the Khyber Pass, where Britain used to bar the way to covetous Czars) was escorted by jet fighters. Through banked roses and chrysanthemums the party, after leaving their aircraft, mounted to a platform twenty feet high while the flags waved and the huge crowds cheered and chanted. Then they drove off to the President's palace and Marshal Bulganin bowed and smiled, Mr. Khrushchev beamed, as well he might, and Mr. Nehru, who sometimes gets impatient with crowds (and not long ago had to climb a lamppost to escape their jostling), laughed and was pleased. And nowhere along the whole route had anyone chalked up the slogan: Go Home Marshal Bulganin, which is the kind of thing neutralists sometimes do when American or British State leaders visit them.

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OF course, just as Russia is just over the hills to Tashkent, so China is just over the hills to Chungking; and it is a little frightening when you look at the map and see how much of Asia is Russian or linked with Russia and how easy it would be for Indian neutralism, loomed over by these immense neighbours, to tilt in their compelling direction. It is a matter of some concern to the West, even though the tilt should be only "commercial," with occasional "mediatory" ventures on the part of Mr. Nehru.

Jerusalem, November 25.

NEW FRENCH ENVOY TO LEBANON

PARIS, Thursday (Reuter). — The appointment of M. Louis Roche, French Ambassador to Australia since 1953, as Ambassador to the Lebanon, was gazetted in the "Journal Officiel" here today.

Early French Return to U.N. Seen Likely

NEW YORK, Thursday (Reuter). — The way was finally cleared today for France to return to the U.N. General Assembly under the terms of a compromise proposal reported acceptable to both France and the Arab states whereby debate on Algeria will be avoided.

Informed sources said agreement had been reached on the proposal in talks between Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon of India, acting on behalf of the Asian-African group, Mr. Jose Maza of Chile, who is President of the General Assembly, and M. Herve Alphand, France's permanent representative to the U.N.

Plans were immediately made for the proposal to be moved in the Assembly's Political Committee tomorrow. It is hoped to obtain unanimous approval for it there.

A plenary session of the Assembly has been called to receive the Political Committee's recommendation and to act on it immediately, thereby opening up the way for the French delegation to return.

U.S. Reports Biggest Soviet Nuclear Blast

WASHINGTON, Thursday—The Atomic Energy Commission announced last night that the Soviet Union had set off the largest hydrogen bomb since the Soviet atomic programme began. Some experts linked it with a reported "earthquake" in Siberia. It was described as in the range of millions of tons of T.N.T.

It was the first time the Commission has measured the strength of a Russian nuclear explosion, indicating that the U.S. has new devices for detecting the blasts other than by picking up radioactive particles in the atmosphere.

The announcement said the current Soviet tests suggested "an increasingly intensive effort by the Soviet Government to develop its nuclear weapons potential." Earlier yesterday, U.S. seismographs recorded "earthquake shocks" 8,400 kms. north-west of Boston.

Japanese meteorologists today reported that radioactive rain had fallen on Japan following a reported new nuclear explosion in the Soviet Union.

(UP, Reuter)

FIRST INDO-SOVIET BUSINESS TALKS

NEW DELHI, Thursday (Reuter). — The first real business talks of the Soviet visit began here today while the Russian Premier, Marshal Bulganin, and the Communist Party Chief, Mr. Khrushchev, were being feted in Bombay.

In New Delhi Mr. Andrei Gromyko, Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, and Deputy Trade Minister Pavel Kumpykin called at the External Affairs Ministry and are understood to have discussed Premier Bulganin's offer of atomic aid to India.

They were with Mr. K. Pillai, Secretary-General of the Ministry, for an hour. Considerable importance is attached to the meeting.

It is believed here that Russia may offer atomic scientists, and cooperation on a big dam.

Meanwhile, five leading oil technicians, the first contingent of a team of nine experts which Russia has promised to send to India, arrived in New Delhi today. They will assist and advise the Government on oil prospecting and later provide technical assistance for oil drilling.

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OIL BEGINS TO FLOW AT HELETZ

Jerusalem Post Reporter

REHOVOT, Thursday. — Oil began gushing in commercial quantities from Heletz I at 9.10 this morning as the Minister of Development, Mr. Mordechai Bentov, in drenching rain, ceremoniously opened the valve and released the first test flow from a depth of 1,500 metres.

After passing through a separator which removed the gases, the oil was stored in transit tanks. Ten minutes later, a flame rose to the north-east of the well as the gases were burned to prevent their poisoning the air. The fire will burn until means are found to store the gases.

Earlier in the day, Aluf Y. Barnea, Head of the Lapidot Co., and the Israel Oil Prospectors, Ltd., told the press that the first day's output would be donated to the Defence Fund.

The Minister of Development extended thanks to all those who had contributed to the oil find, which he hoped would change the economic face of the country.

The apparatus attached to the well mouth was likened to a "Christmas tree" by Mr. Frank Carpenter, the Texan Point Four expert in charge of Heletz I. He described it as consisting of a number of small branching pipes which decrease the pressure of gases as the oil passes through. From there, the oil is diverted to a two-inch pipe leading to the separator, manufactured in Israel, in which it undergoes the first stage of refining.

The pressure and daily output of the oil in Heletz I cannot be determined yet, Dr. H. J. Tschopp, the Swiss geologist, said.

Mr. Y. Szolotowsky, Director of Israel Prospectors, Ltd., announced that drilling is due to start in Negba in a few weeks time, and the equipment used in Heletz I is being moved to the new site. He also stated that as soon as the first tank is filled to its 500 gallon capacity at Heletz I it would be transferred to Haifa Bay for storage before refining.

Test on the usability of the gases are being performed by Dr. E. Gilav, Head of the Weizmann Institute's oil laboratory.

Among the many attending the ceremony at the oil well were Mr. Mordechai Namir, M.K., Secretary-General of the Histadrut, Mr. M. Bader, Director-General of the Ministry of Development, Dr. Fritz Hegg, Swiss Minister to Israel, oil company directors and geologists.

Eshkol Predicts Capital Tax

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Wages should not be increased — taxes should — if we intend to reach economic self-sufficiency.

This was the essence of an explanatory talk by Mr. Levi Eshkol, the Minister of Finance, yesterday in Jerusalem at a press conference aimed at indicating the grave inflationary dangers facing the country if wages were raised.

In addition to removing the income tax ceiling next year, he foresaw the introduction of a capital gains tax, and possibly a capital tax.

"If any redistribution of the national income takes place, it must not be by swelling pay packets, but by imposing heavier taxes on the upper income brackets," he said. He added, however, that no such taxes were contemplated before the next fiscal year which starts on April 1, 1956.

Anyone who fights for a general wage increase is fighting not to improve the labourer's lot, but to worsen it. Devaluation and innumerable other difficulties must follow such increases, inflicting untold damage on this young State. He complained that those fighting to raise wages did not understand the consequences of their actions, or they would not try to impose their will on the Government.

Professor Abba Lerner, Financial Adviser to the Ministry, added that to make the economy self-sufficient and to offset the adverse trade balance, wages should not only be frozen, but should actually be lowered. To raise exports and to reduce imports was the road to economic independence, but this demanded an intelligent approach by the workers, who must be ready to forgo wage increases for a long time in favour of higher "real" wages in the long run, he said.

Mr. Eshkol saw the possibility of raising the wages of small sections of the labour force, such as citrus pickers, as their earnings were exceedingly low, while fruit growers earned fat returns.

He suggested re-examining the report of the 1955 Wage Committee (Guri). He did not think that the senior Government officials should receive the higher salaries promised them, nor did he believe that the "spread" in Government salaries should be changed in the near future.

Mr. Eshkol briefly surveyed the country's development since 1948, and described its noteworthy economic changes.

Tremendous amounts of capital were secured, petroleum rose on barren land, and an army was established. 70 per cent of the country's food is produced locally, a sizeable industry came into existence, and in 1954, 30 per cent of imports were covered by exports.

During these seven years, the State reached what Mr. Eshkol termed "an economic safety island." Now it could look forward to economic development and consolidation. A stable exchange rate existed and productivity showed signs of an upward trend; the "tea of savings

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Girl Killed as House Wing Crumples

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Three enclosed balconies on the wing of a three-storey house, condemned four years ago as dangerous, collapsed yesterday morning in the Meah Shearim Quarter of Jerusalem, crushing to death Bracha Briemant, 19, in her bed, and seriously injuring her sister, Yaffa, 22. Mr. Isaer Goldstein, 54, who lives in the main part of the house, was slightly injured by a falling stone.

The police, who were on an all-night alert owing to the heavy rains which swept Jerusalem on Wednesday and which probably undermined the balconies, were at the scene at 5.40, ten minutes after the disaster. Together with local residents—awakened by the quake-like rumble—and members of the Defence Forces, Border Police and the Jerusalem Municipality, they began digging through the rubble to extract the victims.

About six o'clock, the battered body of Bracha was brought out. Several minutes later, they found Yaffa, partially protected by girders which had miraculously formed a shield over her. It was believed at first that she was dead, but then a moan was heard. She was rushed to Hadassah Hospital, semi-conscious. Last night she was reported to be feeling "better."

The girls slept in the middle balcony. The upper one was empty, its normal occupants, two soldiers, being away. The lower balcony was a kitchen.

Yaffa works as clerk in the Ministry of Health. Bracha was employed as a clerk in the Treasury.

Mayor Gershon Agron, on being informed of the disaster, immediately went to visit the scene, as did Mr. Mordechai Ish-Shalom, Deputy Mayor.

From the Municipality, it was learned that the trustee of the building for the past 23 years, Dr. M. Buxbaum, had been ordered in December, 1951, to tear down parts of the building and undertake important internal structural repairs if he wanted it removed from the "dangerous buildings" list.

In April, 1953, and in May, 1955, he was again ordered to make the building safe for habitation.

In all, there are 250 dangerous buildings in the city, 34 of them which can be expected to collapse "at any moment." About 2,000 persons live in these 34 houses which are mainly in the Bokharian quarter.

Dr. Buxbaum declared last night that he had not received any notification since 1952 about this part of the building being dangerous. Then, at his request, and at his expense, the Municipality itself destroyed all dangerous parts, he said.

2 Soldiers Killed In Cypriot Attacks On British Army

NICOSIA, Thursday. — Cypriot tommygunners shot dead two British soldiers today, one of them a sergeant. Two other soldiers were wounded.

The sergeant was shot while on his way home, when terrorists drove up behind and sprayed him with sub-machinegun fire as he reached the gate of his house. They drove off before police could take up the pursuit.

The other soldier, a private of the Royal Engineers, was killed, and an officer and another sapper wounded, when two British army vehicles were ambushed and attacked in the mountains south-west of Nicosia this afternoon.

In Nicosia, a British soldier was stoned by Cypriot youths while shopping. Police rescued him and dispersed the crowd with a baton charge. No arrests were made. *(Reuter, UP)*

Brazil Gov't Wants State of Siege

RIO DE JANEIRO, Thursday (Reuter). — The Government, in power through two army coups over the past fortnight, was confident today that it would succeed in overriding opposition objections to secure Senate ratification of a bill declaring a state of siege.

This would give Acting President Nereu Ramos and his War Minister, General Teixeira Lott, sweeping emergency powers for 30 days, enabling them to suspend the right of free speech, a free press and public assembly and to make arrests without a warrant.

The Chamber of Deputies (Lower House) approved the bill early today after a 14-hour debate in which the opposition fought a delaying battle by putting forward a series of amendments, some of which resulted in rejection of demands for special powers.

Many Amendments

They repeated these tactics when the Senate debate started at dawn, but the Upper House disposed of the amendments steadily and, taking only a brief recess for lunch, hoped to get ratification voted by this evening.

The Government demanded these powers to ensure internal security before Mr. Juscelino Kubitchek, who won the October presidential elections with Communist support, is installed on January 31.

One of its most important effects is that it will baulk the deposed President, Mr. Joao Cafe Filho who is now under house arrest in his attempt to get the Supreme Court to set aside a parliamentary ruling that he is ineligible to continue as President.

REFINERY PREPARED

HAIFA, Thursday. — Preparations have been made at the refineries here for the processing of the Heletz oil when an adequate quantity is received for bulk refining. A sample of the oil is due to arrive here tomorrow for analysis.

(See Geologist Report — Page 3)

U.S. OPPOSITION TO MONGOLIA EASING

NEW YORK Thursday (Reuter). — The U.S. was reported last night to be easing its opposition to Outer Mongolia as a possible new member of the United Nations, informed diplomatic sources said.

Reduced opposition to Outer Mongolia by the U.S would brighten the prospects for eventual "blanket" approval of 18 applicants whose names have been put forward by Canada, supported by 24 other countries.

YUGOSLAV ENVOY CALLS ON MRS. MYERSON

The Acting Foreign Minister, Mrs. Golda Myerson, yesterday morning received the Yugoslav Minister, Mr. Jovan Vukmanovic, at the latter's request. Discussion centred on the situation in the Middle East.

K.L.M. Does Its Bit for Toy Fund

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A group of 37 mud-splattered children from the Lachish area, all of them full of beans despite the fact that some were ill-shod in summer sandals, trooped into the luxurious offices of K.L.M., Royal Dutch Airlines, in Allenby Road, Tel Aviv, yesterday morning to drink hot cocoa, eat fancy cakes, and have their pictures taken for the newsreel. When the children left, it appeared that the only things left in the K.L.M. offices were the furniture and the fixtures, and a laughing staff.

All the dolls and toys used in the show windows and displays were packed into cartons together with the cakes left over from the party and sent off with the children to their villages. The playthings were handsome three-metre high dolls, well-clothed, windmills, airplanes, castles and a wooden new moon.

K.L.M. sponsored the big party as its contribution to the annual Hanukka Toy Fund of *The Jerusalem Post* and the Sa'ad Aid Association.

At dawn yesterday two police trucks had left for Lachish to pick up the children from Otzem, Ein David, Noga and Shahar. Because of the heavy rain, the children had to trek through thick mud from their settlements to the vehicles. They were taken first to Lydda Airport where they were escorted through a K.L.M. DC-6 passenger plane, the "Prinses Margriet."

They inspected everything from the controls to the galley. For most of the seven to 12-year-olds it was their first close-up experience with a plane of such size, but one young boy from Kurdistan, when interviewed by Kol Yisrael, said with poise, "I flew in a plane to Israel." His companions had come by ship.

From Lydda, the children were taken to Tel Aviv, and caused something of a traffic problem on disembarking outside K.L.M.'s offices, but they were under the watchful eyes of their police escort and everything went off smoothly. Business was halted in the offices for about an hour, while Tel Avivians crowded three and four deep outside, pressing their faces like children against the window panes to see what was going on inside.

In charge of the children were three of their teachers and Mrs. Rivka Guber, well known in the new development area as the "mother of Lachish." She appealed to the police and got their cooperation to take the children on an unscheduled tour of the port area and the zoo, which generously agreed to admit the party as honoured guests. Afterwards, the police took the children to a Shekem canteen for lunch.

As the children left the K.L.M. offices, inquiring Tel Avivians pressed around the trucks to find out who they were. When told that they were children from Lachish, two puzzled passers-by asked, "What's Lachish?"

Throughout the day the party was lucky in having comparatively fine weather after the previous day's downpour had made it doubtful whether it would be possible for the visit to be paid at all, but on the way back one of the four police carrier taken the children to their homes became bogged down in the mud and had to be abandoned until the morning.

THOUSAND TOPPED

The week's total cash contributions to *The Jerusalem Post*-Sa'ad Toy Fund is IL1,148,985. The single highest contribution yesterday was IL300 from PICA, Haifa. A full list will be published on Sunday.

Eden Denies Plan Calls For One-Sided Concessions

Says Accord to Profit Both Sides

LONDON, Thursday. — Sir Anthony Eden told the Commons today that he did not consult either the Israel or Arab Governments concerned before he made his speech on November 9 suggesting British mediation for a compromise.

The former Labour Defence Minister, Mr. Emanuel Shinwell, had asked what steps he had taken to find out the views of the Israel Government before he made his speech.

The Prime Minister added, "I did not attempt to lay down where and how that compromise should be found, nor do I promise to do so now. I am convinced that a settlement would be so valuable to both sides that they would find that any concessions they made would be more than worthwhile.

"I have given the assurance that if our services are required in the negotiations, both the British Government and I are ready to offer them in the cause of peace."

Sir Anthony denied that he had asked for concessions from one side. "I asked for concessions from both. They have to make very considerable concessions if there is an agreement."

The Premier asked whether the House had never heard of the refugees and the abandonment of any hope of the Arabs returning to their homes, "and the non-recognition of Israel." These, he said, were things in everyone's mind and he was not prepared to go any further than the words he had used, which were very carefully chosen.

Exploited by Communists

Mr. Macmillan said in Beirut last night before leaving for London that the Communists were now using the "Palestine problem" as their stalking horse.

He expressed gratification that the Baghdad pact nations "showed comprehension of the Eden proposals and realised that they were a logical basis for a solution of the Palestine problem," adding that "the issue must be solved because it is a permanent source of trouble which will be exploited to the full by the Communists."

Mr. Macmillan said that in his talks with the Lebanese Premier, Rashid Karameh, and President Camille Chamoun, he was informed of the Lebanon's readiness to combat Communism, with the reservation that "Zionism should be fought first." Karameh later said a settlement with Israel on the basis of the 1947 U.N. proposals was discussed.

Later, when the House was discussing parliamentary business for next week, Mr. Shinwell said he had read Sir Anthony Eden's Guildhall speech, but in view of what the Prime Minister had said today, he was still confused about its meaning. He suggested that the Government should publish a statement of its general position.

Sir Anthony replied that they would certainly have a debate on the Middle East. This was desirable not only because of the situation between Israel and the Arab states but also because Foreign Secretary Harold Macmillan would wish to report on the Baghdad conference.

Iraqi Mission Off To U.S. for Arms

BAGHDAD, Thursday.—Kadhim Abbadi, Commander of the Iraqi Air Force, left for the U.S. today with three other senior officers on a mission which is believed to include talks on U.S. military aid for Iraq.

"The New York Times" reported today from Berne that the Swiss Government has embargoed arms sales to Egypt, Israel and other Middle East countries. A Swiss spokesman said yesterday that this is a normal procedure whenever a region seemed to be on the brink of war. While existing contracts will be honoured, no new export licences will be granted.

In Washington, the Saudi Arabian Embassy today declined to confirm or deny reports that Saudi Arabia has purchased 20 tanks from the U.S. The State Department has also declined comment. *(Reuter, INA)*

Moscow Raps U.S. Role In Baghdad Meeting

LONDON, Thursday (Reuter)—Apparently the U.S., having played the leading part in knocking together the Baghdad Pact group, is still trying to pretend that it really has nothing to do with it, Moscow Radio said today.

The radio referred to the presence as observers of the Baghdad meeting of the U.S. Ambassador to Iraq, Mr. Waldemar Gallman, and the Commander of the U.S. Naval Forces in the Eastern Atlantic and the Mediterranean, Admiral John Cassady.

"But they cannot fool anyone, as the Egyptian Premier, Abdul Nasser, has pointed out, and their very presence means their virtual membership of the pact."

'Guardian' Sees Danger In Supporting Arabs

LONDON, Thursday (Reuter). The Western response to Russian intervention in the Middle East is to strengthen the "Northern Tier" countries, "but that does not in any way relieve the tension between Arabs and Jews," while support of Iraq and Jordan increases the likelihood of an Arab-Israel war, the "Manchester Guardian" commented editorially today.

It said that falling an Arab-Israel settlement the Middle East can only be kept stable by a balance of power between the two sides, or "an unambiguous guarantee of frontiers."

A strong border provided by th Baghdad pact is useless if Russia "is able to set off an explosion in the rear," it pointed out. The editorial added that the Soviet arms deals with the Arabs gave the latter new reason to hope that they can eventually exterminate Israel.

Britain Rejects Buraimi Mediation

LONDON, Thursday (Reuter).—Britain has flatly turned down Saudi Arabian proposals for fresh arbitration over the oil-rich Buraimi oasis, occupied recently by a British-led force.

In a note delivered in Jeddah on Monday, the Government declared that the Saudi Arabian proposal for a resumption of arbitration over the oasis and the appointment of a neutral commission was "unrealistic."

The British-led force acting for the Sultan of Muscat and the Sheikh of Abu Dhabi, with whom Britain has treaty relations, reoccupied the oasis from a Saudi Arabian group last month after a breakdown in arbitration over the disputed area.

U.S. Industry May Help To Market Israel Solar Devices

WASHINGTON, Thursday (INA). — Hope was expressed yesterday for the joint American-Israel venture to put solar energy devices developed by Israel on the international market.

Dr. H. Tabor, head of Israel's National Physical Laboratory, stated yesterday at the International Cooperation Administration's press conference, that Israel has made some developments in the field of solar power exploitation that the U.S. has not yet made. He said that Israel has perfected a device in this field which it is willing to share with American industry whose cooperation and assistance are being solicited.

Under the sponsorship of I.C.A., Dr. Tabor and scientists from other nations, including Egypt, have just finished a cross-country tour of American solar energy activities. He attended a world symposium on solar energy in Arizona earlier this month, where his patent attracted considerable attention.

It is understood that several large concerns, including one of the major automobile combines, would be interested in the patent: Italian exhibitors also would like to incorporate Dr. Tabor's improvements in their [illegible]

Egyptians Fire On Plane, Army Posts

Four incidents, in which Egyptians opened fire on an Israel plane and Israel forces in the Negev yesterday and Wednesday, were announced by the Israel Army spokesman.

An Israel plane over Israel territory in the Be'eri sector was fired on from Egyptian positions on Wednesday morning. The plane was not hit.

Automatic fire was opened from an Egyptian post in the Be'eri sector yesterday morning, the spokesman added. Our forces, which did not return the fire suffered no casualties.

The spokesman said that an Egyptian position opened automatic fire on an Israel patrol which was on Israel territory north of Kissufim yesterday morning, and 15 minutes later again fired at the unit. None of the Israel patrol was hit.

Jordan Infiltrators

Jordanian infiltrators around midnight on Wednesday opened automatic fire on Mevo Betar. The settlement's watchmen replied and drove them away. No casualties were caused.

Burns: Further Talks Needed on Nitzana

The Chief of Staff of the Truce Supervision Organization, Maj.-Gen. E.L.M. Burns, and the Director-General of the Foreign Ministry, Mr. Walter Eytan, discussed the U.N. proposals for the Nitzana area for an hour yesterday at the Foreign Ministry.

Later, the U.N. T.S.O. issued a communique stating that, in view of the attitude of Egypt and Israel, further negotiations by the Chief of Staff were required.

It described Egypt's publicly announced negative attitude towards the plan as "not rejecting the proposals," and claimed that Egypt has also "suggested certain additional points for consideration in connection with the situation in the demilitarized area."

Concerning Israel's announced willingness to accept the proposals in principle, the communique states:

"The Government of Israel, while stating that they accepted the proposals in principle, have also indicated that there are points in regard to their implementation on which they intend to clarify their position."

One of Egypt's "additional points" is the marking of all the borders of the Nitzana Demilitarized Zone, which is entirely within Israel territory, in order to separate it from Israel.

Refugee Debate Ends at U.N.

UNITED NATIONS, Thursday.—The general debate on the refugee problem was virtually concluded today with an exchange between Mr. Abba Eban of Israel and Ahmed Shukeiry of Syria. The Committee has been debating the work of UNRWA for almost two weeks, during which the question was thoroughly aired by delegates. The U.S., Britain, and Turkey have served notice that they will put forward a resolution which, it is understood, would call for continuation of UNRWA's work and would ask for financial contributions to the agency.

Mr. Eban declared that in the peace his country envisaged in the Middle East, the region would not be divided against itself but would form an integral unit with free movement of men and ideas. "Israel will not be a wedge between the Arab countries, but will be a bridge between them."

'State of Mind'

Shukeiry declared that "peace is a state of mind." He charged that the night Mr. Ben-Gurion offered peace to the Arab world, Israel troops raided an Egyptian post, killing and capturing many soldiers.

Mr. Ali Yawar Jung of India said the fact was well recognised that the refugee problem had essentially political roots. He added that it was the task of the U.N., "by cooperation of the governments concerned, to ensure that guns will not keep firing at the borders and that in preserving the respective positions of the different parties there will be first established conditions of a *de facto* peace on frontiers which are naturally so sensitive."

Saudi Arabia and Iraq were given the right to reply to Mr. Eban on Saturday.

The Australian delegate, Mr. W. D. Forsyth, told the Special Political Committee of the General Assembly yesterday that the only practical solution to the Arab refugee problem was resettlement of the bulk of the refugees in Egypt, Jordan, the Lebanon and Syria through acceptance by these states of the proposed resettlement project.

He said that "it is no longer possible to contend realistically that the solution is the mass repatriation of the refugees to Israel," but added that it was distressing to hear that Israel did not intend to take back any of the refugees.

Both the Pakistani and Danish delegates, Mr. A. K. Brohi, and Mr. K. Amby, criticised Israel statements that no repatriation would be acceptable. The Turkish delegate, Mr. T. Menciogiu, stated that one of the immediate duties of the Assembly would be to show confidence and support for UNRWA, thus encouraging contributions to the agency. In that regard, Turkey was consulting with other delegations on a draft resolution.

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Social & Personal

The President and Mrs. Ben-Zvi were luncheon hosts yesterday to the Minister of Education and Culture and Mrs. Z. Aranne, the Minister for Religious Affairs and Social Welfare, Mr. M. Shapiro, the Minister of Justice and Mrs. P. Rosen, the Minister of Transport and Mrs. M. Carmel, the Minister of Agriculture and Mrs. K. Loos, and the Minister without Portfolio, Mr. P. Naphtali.

Mrs. Rahel Ben-Zvi yesterday morning visited the areas of the Capital damaged by the flood waters and the site of the house which collapsed in Meah Shearim. She also donated through the Municipality articles of clothing for the flood victims.

Mrs. Zena Harman, the Israel delegate on the Executive Committee of the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund, was unanimously elected by the Committee in New York on Wednesday to serve as Chairman of the Programme Committee of UNICEF for a further period of one year.

ARRIVAL: Sir Charles Kingsley Webster, Professor of International History at the London School of Economics, for a two-week stay to give the Chaim Weizmann Memorial Lecture (Humanities) for 1955 in Rehovot.

DEPARTURES: Mr. Esval Vedi, of the Turkish daily, "Huriyat," after a 17-day visit, Dr. Ivan Putman, Vice-President of the National Association of Foreign Student Advisers in the U.S., after a brief visit.

Rav-Aluf Ya'akov Dori will address the Haifa Maritime Club on "The Citizen and Security Today" at 1.15 today. Reservations (Phone 2954).

BIRTHS

ANKER — To Ruth (nee Casper) and W. Anker, Engineer, on November 22, 1955, at the Elisha Hospital, Haifa — a daughter.

KUTZINSKI — To Lisa (nee Zeckendorff) and Immanuel Kutzinski of 246 Rehov Hayarkon, Tel Aviv — a son.

Maurice Simon Dies Aged 81

The death of Mr. Maurice Simon, the well-known Anglo-Jewish scholar, occurred in London on Monday at the age of 81. Maurice Simon was recognised as an authority on Jewish learning. He was educated at Oxford, where he excelled in Classics, and at Jews' College, London, where he studied Semitics. He devoted himself to a life of scholarship.

Mr. Simon collaborated in the Soncino translation into English of the Talmud, the Zohar and the Midrash Rabbah. His translations are marked by extreme care and accuracy, and reflect his deep erudition.

He was a brother of Sir Leon Simon, C.B., formerly Chairman of the Israel Post Office Bank.

EDITORS COMMITTEE CHOOSES OFFICERS

Dr. A. Carlebach, of "Ma'ariv," was elected Chairman of the Editors Committee in Tel Aviv this week and Mr. Y. Amit, of "Al Hamishmar," Deputy Chairman. Mr. Y. Groman, of "Haboker," was elected Treasurer of the Committee. Mr. I. Finkelstein will again head the Censorship Committee, the members of which include Mr. T. R. Lurie, Mr. A. Dissentchik, and Mr. Groman and Mr. Ben-Gur.

The Presidium was charged with the task of convening a special meeting of the Editors with representatives of the publishers, to discuss the price of newspapers.

British "Hamlet" Is Moscow Hit

MOSCOW, Thursday (Reuter).—Moscow today sang the praises of a London theatre's production of "Hamlet" after its triumphant opening here. The cast took 15 curtain calls at the end of last night's performance.

The select audience of Russian first nighters, including actors, writers and the "cream" of Soviet cultural life, were seeing the first appearance of a British company on the Moscow stage since the Revolution in 1917.

"An enormous success" was how Moscow Radio described Mr. Peter's Brook's production in Moscow's Arts Theatre. The Communist Party Newspaper "Pravda" was also full of praise.

Professor Boris Zakhava, who is going to produce "Hamlet" himself next year, wrote that the show was "admirably staged and performed." Professor Zakhava wrote of the production: "The boldness was in the simplicity. False asceticism and dramatic posing were absent in the performance."

BARCLAYS DIVIDEND

The Directors of Barclays Bank D.C.O. have declared a final dividend of four per cent on ordinary stock ranking for a dividend, making eight per cent for the year. It is payable on December 30. Income tax will be eight shillings and sixpence on each share.

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New Soviet Strategy Displayed in India

By ELISABETH PARTRIDGE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NEW DELHI, Thursday. — The powerful Soviet campaign to win over India now in progress has gathered momentum with the visit of Russia's top leaders. Without being alarmist, this campaign has all the appearance of a Kremlin master-plan and seems aimed at nothing less than Russian establishment in this strategic area, the key to Asian democracy.

Taken in conjunction with recent Soviet moves in the Middle East, it is of the utmost significance to the Western democracies. It suggests that the Soviet Union, contained in Europe by the steel walls of N.A.T.O., is now extending its influence south and eastwards into the under-developed countries where the walls—if any—are of mud.

For the past six months, Russia has been backing her political campaign for India's friendship by an equally powerful economic offensive. Now she is aided in this by the other East European countries, represented in force at the Indian Industries Fair. This economic drive, too, has the appearance of a master-plan—and with grave political implications.

Each Communist country is offering precisely what India wants—heavy industry goods—on long-term credit or against agricultural products. And each offer envisages large-scale technician exchanges and training, some of which have already begun.

Industrial Exhibition

This skilful economic offensive accelerated with the opening of the Industries Fair this month. The Communist pavilions filled with heavy machinery are impressive; and on easy credit terms they appear as a fairyland to an under-developed country.

Energetic Communist trade delegations are now bombarding India with tempting offers which have all been enthusiastically reported in the papers here. Poland has made a substantial offer of locomotives, while Rumania has offered heavy machinery and technical assistance in oil prospecting. Hungary followed this by an offer of heavy machinery and technical assistance in the development of communications and irrigation. It is an impressive list, especially when added to the fact that India has already agreed to a million-ton Soviet steel plant on the "never-never" system and has accepted Russia's offer of technical assistance in oil and mineral exploitation.

But the skill with which these offers are timed and presented to the Indian public is best illustrated by the Czech offer of a million-ton steel plant. This was announced during the last two days of critical negotiations between Britain and India for a British steel plant. Britain's terms—strictly business with no political strings — have already been compared unfavourably with Russia's "generosity" in granting long-term credit by the more ingenuous newspapers here. Sir Cyril Jones, leader of the British Mission, sounded optimistic before he left India but he must have known that this subsidized Czech offer would make his negotiations even more difficult than they have already proved.

Same Technique

Western diplomats in New Delhi are concerned. They can see the same Soviet technique being applied equally successfully in Burma and Afghanistan, where the Soviet bloc is supplying quantities of heavy industry goods against surplus agricultural produce. While they are convinced that there is no danger of India "going Communist" under Mr. Nehru, of whose democracy they feel certain, they fear the impact of these moves on public opinion. To the newly independent and unsophisticated Indian, such offers of friendly help are heady flattery. The real danger is that this Soviet campaign will create an impetus which even Mr. Nehru, with his powerful hold over India, cannot control.

In Asia today, there still exists what Mr. Chester Bowles, late American Ambassador here, terms "the raw material of revolution—poverty, injustice and exploitation." The Kremlin strategists know this and are acting accordingly. Soviet Communism may not be for export, but its by-products certainly are.

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A drawing for valuable dresses will be held.
Tickets can be obtained from all members of the League, and at the offices, 24 Rehov Hoovevei Zion, Tel Aviv.

Civil Defence Unit Planning Large-Scale Exercises for Public

By SRAYA SHAPIRO

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — A series of large-scale passive defence exercises will be organized by Haga (Hitgonenut Ezrachit), the Civil Defence Organization, within two months, the Haga commander, Aluf-Mishne David Reshef, told The Jerusalem Post. The public will be asked to cooperate by abiding by air raid wardens' instructions.

Certain buildings, already designated by Civil Defence, will be handed over to the authorities for purposes already defined by Aluf-Mishne Reshef's team. Sirens will shortly be tested all over the country.

In order to give cover to the thousands of people in the streets, all safe houses along the main thoroughfares in cities will be equipped as public shelters. Practically every solidly built house along the street will be turned into a shelter and a sign will clearly denote the entry to it. Only in schools will special shelters be built wherever necessary.

There will be no wide-scale building programme of deep shelters, Aluf-Mishne Reshef said. Concrete shelters deep underground are no longer believed to be of any help, even where an A-bomb attack is feared. Experience and logic tend to indicate that a large-size bomb is likely to destroy a four storey house so completely that no shelter of the type known here from previous wars will help.

"The next time you hear a bomb explode, stay put and take cover under the table as the safest place," Aluf-Mishne Reshef advised. The Civil Defence authority can recommend only such precautions as would protect a man from the blast and splinters which a distant explosion is likely to produce, he added.

The organization headed by Aluf-Mishne Reshef has given ample thought to the problem, studying the experience of many nations. It has also prepared a detailed outline of what must be done when air-raids begin. Courses for team leaders have been given uninterruptedly to many a man who will be called to duty when required.

Placards giving the public clear directives on what to do in an emergency have been prepared and are being printed.

The Civil Defence authority has published many booklets and pamphlets on ways to achieve maximum protection during an air raid. Though most of them were intended for Civil Defence wardens, some will soon be reprinted for public distribution. They will describe the types of damage and the best means of protection against blasts and splinters — "Unfortunately, we cannot do more," Aluf-Mishne Reshef said.

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"Conquest of the Desert" permanent Exhibition on the grounds of the Jerusalem Convention Centre 10-1. Also tomorrow.
Watercolours and woodcuts by Mordechai Avniel, copper works by Abraham Habe, "Nora Studio" Art Gallery, 9 Malmon Avenue, Rehavia. Daily: 10-1, 3-6. Tomorrow: 10-2.
The Artists' House will be closed for one week as of today, for renovation.

★ **Recorded Music:** —
"Music to Inspire", Beethoven, Adagio (Lento); Dvorak, Symphony No. 5 in E-minor. Public welcome. Y.M.C.A., 8.30 p.m.

★ **Tours:** —
Hebrew University conducted tour New Administration Building, King George Ave., opposite Terra Sancta, 10 a.m.

TEL AVIV

★ **Exhibitions:** —
"Mashit" Israel Village Arts and Crafts. Woodcuts and Paintings by Jacob Steinhardt. New acquisitions by the Museum. Tel Aviv Museum, 10-1, 4-7; Fridays and Saturdays, 10-1.
Paintings by Yechiel Krise — Painters & Sculptors Pavilion — 9 Rehov Alharizi — 10-1, 4-7.

KIRYAT MOTZKIN

★ **Theatre:** —
Yiddish Theatre, "The Singing Blacksmith" — Benzion Vitler, Shifra Lerer.

TOMORROW

JERUSALEM

★ **Entertainment:** —
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★ **Lectures:** —
"Ronald Storrs and Zionism." Mr. B. Jaffe: "The Baghdad Conference and Israel." Mr. David Ston: and Mr. Tuvia Ben-Hefets on the 80th Birthday of Rabbi Maimon, 11 a.m.: "Bible for the People," Mr. David Aviasar: 3.30 p.m.: "Literature for the People," Mr. E. Briskman 4.30 p.m. Gathering for young people under direction of Rina Nikova, 8 p.m., Beit Ha'am.

★ **Recorded Music:** —
Saturday Music, Faure, Trio in D-minor, Op. 120; Beethoven, Concerto No. 3 in C-minor. Public welcome. Y.M.C.A., 11 a.m.

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★ **Exhibitions:** —
Paintings & Sculptures by Matis Shoval, Gesher Haziv. Gli Moses, Ayelet Hashahar, Menashe Kadishman, Yesreel—Chemerinsky Art Gallery, 36 Rehov Gordon, 10-1, 4-8. Ceramics Exhibition continues.

★ **Concert:** —
Chamber Music — Bach, Handel, Haydn, Beethoven. Museum, 8.30 p.m.

★ **Theatre:** —
Ohel, "Eldorado," Ohel Theatre, 7 and 9.15 p.m.
Chamber Theatre, "The Italian Straw Hat," 7 and 9.30 p.m.
Chamber Theatre, "The Lady of the Manor." New Chamber Theatre Hall 7 & 9.30 p.m.
Jewish Comedy Theatre, "Kopl Kive Vert A Tata," "Hapoel": 6.30 and 9.15 p.m.
Habimah, "Henry the Fourth," Habimah, 6 p.m.
Habimah, "Medea," Habimah, 9 p.m.

★ **Tourist Services:** —
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HAIFA

★ **Exhibition:** —
Paintings by Michael Argov, "Art of Primitive People," 11.30 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. conducted tours by Dr. F. Schiff. Fortnightly exhibit: Marionettes by Dr. Paul Loewy, Municipal Museum, Town Hall, 10-1, 4-7.

ACCADIA BEACH

★ **Entertainment:** —
Dine and Dance at the Accadia 'Grand' Hotel.

RAMAT GAN

★ **Theatre:** —
DO-RE-MI, Rossi Barsoni in "Holiday in Venice." Rama, 6 and 9 p.m.

GIVATAYIM

★ **Theatre:** —
Yiddish Theatre, "The Singing Blacksmith" — Benzion Vitler, Shifra Lerer.

COMING EVENTS

HAIFA

Museum Concert No. 1, on Monday, November 28, 1955, at 8.45 p.m. at Municipal Museum of Modern Art. Mahler — "Das Lied von der Erde." L.P. Records.

★ **Lecture:** —
Mr. David Rosolio, Civil Service Commissioner, on: "Principles of wages and salaries in Public Service." Auspices: Israel Political Science Association. On Sunday, November 27, 1955. Technion Hall No. 12, at 8.30 p.m.

HABIMAH

NEXT WEEK

Nov. 27 — "Medea." Jerusalem (in honour of the Third Knesset and the new Cabinet), 8.30 p.m.
Nov. 28 — "Medea." Tel Aviv (for Metal Workers)
Nov. 29 — "Henry the Fourth" (for Workers). Tel Aviv. "Medea." Nahalal.
Dec. 1 — "Medea." Jerusalem, 9 p.m.

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IL3.5m. For Defence Fund

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — Contributions which are still flowing into the Defence Ministry office in the Kirya here are now coming mainly from schools, workers in commercial and industrial enterprises who are having their donations deducted from wages, and farm settlements. The newly appointed public committees in some of the larger villages and smaller townships are also beginning to show results.

A total of IL3,516,000 had been received by the Bank of Israel for the Defence Fund by the close of business on Wednesday.

The Yavniel Local Council sent to the Ministry of Defence IL5,000 as the first instalment from its citizens, and from Yesud Hama'ala came IL2,840. Kiryat Shmoneh sent in IL1,467, a first instalment of IL1,100 was received from Beit Yanai, near Kfar Vitkin; and the Yemenite community of Ness Ziona collected IL300. Residents in the Gilat ma'abara near Herzlia collected IL367 and jewellery; Moshav Nir Galim sent IL1,200; Hefets Haim, IL1,370 in cash and pledges and some of the members of Tirat Zvi contributed IL187 from their pocket money.

OIL. — Natural gases spurted from the ground in an oil rich suburb of Vienna yesterday afternoon, interrupting all traffic on a major road. The suburb, Breitensee, is the westerly part of Austria's main oil bearing area which extends for many kilometers east and north of the city.

EMERGENCY PHARMACIES

TODAY

JERUSALEM: Rehavia, 22 Ussishkin, 4708. Hatchiyah, Geula, 2452.
TEL AVIV: Abramski, 42 Allenby, 3526. Moshenzohn, 83 Ben Yehuda, 22481. Fraenkel, 28 King George, 28721. Kastel, 147 Ibn Gabirol, Hadassah, Hatikva Qtr., 67304. **JAFFA:** Sa'ad, 34 Jerusalem Blvd., 51445.
RAMAT GAN: Lifshitz, 19 Herzl, 71771. Yisrael, Shikun Herut. **HOLON:** Ribek, Struma Sq. **PETAH TIKVA:** Briut, 13 Hovevei Zion.
HAIFA: Zohar, 3 Arlosoroff, 5823. Hakohav, 26 Wadi Salib. **KIRYAT MOTZKIN:** Motzkin, 7202. **SAFAD:** Ha'ari. **NAHARIYA:** Mercaz.

TOMORROW

JERUSALEM: Ora, 27 King George, 2043. Many, Mahane Yehuda, 3048.
TEL AVIV: (Day): Melchit, 50 Shetnkin, 3502. Yehuda Halevy, 91 Yehuda Halevy, 5159. Keitevitz, 22 Hayarkon, 3566. Nordau, 183 Ben Yehuda, 23573. Bilski, 2 Dizengoff Square, 26348. Maccabi, New Maccabi Qtr., 67397. (Evening) Kohlberg 28, Allenby, 25385. Bograshov, 60 Bograshov, 28859. Ahva, 165 Dizengoff 34717. Reitblatt, 19 Nahlat Binyamin, Maccabi, New Maccabi Qtr., 67397. **JAFFA:** Noga, near cin. Noga, 51896. **RAMAT GAN:** Herzl, 52 Herzl, 72272. **GIVATAYIM:** Hadassah, Katznelson, 72271. **HOLON:** Briut, 104 Sokolov. **PETAH TIKVA:** Asnuta, 7 Shtumpfer.
HAIFA: Harofe, 62 Hehalutz, 2277. Nisnas, 26 Khouri, 4197. Mercaz, 120 Hatzmobar, 51979. **KIRYAT MOTZKIN:** Motzkin, 7202. **SAFAD:** Ha'ari. **NAHARIYA:** Mercaz.

EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS

TODAY

JERUSALEM: Dr. B. Abelon, 19 Ussishkin, 2688. Dr. Z. Oren, Agrippas, 8475. Dr. E. Gidron, 7 Gaza, 3084.
TEL AVIV: Dr. M. L. Sahar, 54 Sokolov, 26383. Dr. I. Grifel, 5 Ben Yehuda, 23496. Dr. M. Shaham, 1 Sirkin, 25842. **JAFFA:** Dr. Weinberg, 4 Rehov 65. Dr. Alkalai, 65 Rehov 4.
HAIFA: Dr. Chobal, 34 Pevsner, 3666. Dr. Ludwig, 24 Shivat Zion, 67417.

TOMORROW

JERUSALEM: Dr. L. Romanov, 11 Arlosoroff, 61217. Dr. S. Greenwald, 22 Yehoshua Bin Nun, 42965. Dr. Y. Shor, 26 Rashi.
TEL AVIV: Same as today.
HAIFA: Dr. Sherman, 3 Hanevi'im, 2434. Dr. Ludwig, 24 Shivat Zion, 67417. (Day) Dr. Golergant, 1 Gilead, 4170. (Evening) Dr. Hampel, 104 Jaffa, 66325.

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JERUSALEM

Yeshurun Synagogue: Tonight: 4.15 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit: 8 a.m. Minha: 3.40 p.m. Arvit: 5.10 p.m.
Emet V'Emuna (Gan Rehavia): Tonight: 4.30 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit: 8.15 a.m.
Ahdut Yisrael Congregation, Sephardic Orphan House, Jaffa Road. Tomorrow at 8.30 a.m. Youth Service with Congregational Singing.
Italian Synagogue (Hillel St.): Tonight: 4.30 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit: 7.30 a.m.
Mossad Harav Kook Synagogue (Hapoel Hamizrahi Qr.): Tonight: 4.17 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit: 8 a.m. Arvit: 5.25 p.m.

TEL AVIV

Beit Yisrael (96 Dizengoff Road): Tonight: 4.50 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit: 8.15 a.m.
Ihud Shivat Zion (67 Ben Yehuda St.): Tonight: 4.30 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit: 8 a.m. Minha: 4.30 p.m.
Ihud Shivat Zion (5 Straus St.): Tonight: 4.30 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit: 8 a.m. Minha: 4.30 p.m.
The Great Synagogue (Allenby Rd.): Tonight: 4.30 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit, 8 a.m.
Tiferet Zvi Synagogue (9 Herman Cohen St.): Tonight: 4.30 p.m. Tomorrow Shahrit 8.30 a.m.
Young Israel (67 Burrashov): Tonight: 5.20 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit 9 a.m.

RAMAT GAN

Hatchia Synagogue: Tonight: 4.40 p.m. Tomorrow: Shahrit: 8 a.m. Minha: 4.35 p.m. Arvit: 5.10 p.m.

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Today's Postbag

THE WEATHER

FORECAST: Partly cloudy to cloudy, with occasional light rain.

	A	B	C	D
Mt. Cana'an	75	6	20	12
Tiberias	80	13	21	13
Haifa Port	66	14	19	20
Natanya	69	15	20	21
Tel Aviv Kirya	55	17	20	21
Tel Aviv Port	57	13	20	13
Beersheba	69	11	24	14
Eilat	36	13	34	24

"A) Humidity at 3 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maximum yesterday D) Maximum temp. expected today

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A SPECIAL PERFORMANCE of "Medea" by Euripides, in honour of the Government and the Third Knesset, will be given by Habimah at the Edison Theatre in Jerusalem on Sunday evening.

THE 57TH BRANCH of Bank Leumi Le-Israel opened yesterday at 11 Rehov Moriah, Ahuza, on Mount Carmel.

Manufacturers Voice Credit Complaints

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — Exports and credits have been the central theme of discussions in the Manufacturers Association this week. Lengthy conversations on exports have taken place between the new Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. P. Sapir, and Mr. A. Shenkar, veteran president of the Association. Premiums, disagio and the supply of raw materials for export industries were some of the central topics of discussion, when Mr. Shenkar presented the Minister with a comprehensive survey of the export-industrial picture.

Final decisions should be reached by Mr. Sapir by the end of this month, the Association reports.

At a meeting yesterday with Mr. David Horowitz, Governor of the Bank of Israel, Mr. Shenkar described the serious plight of private industry caused by their reduction of credit. The very existence of certain enterprises is threatened mainly because of the difficulty in discounting bills, including those of leading institutions, since the reduction of bank liquidity regulations, he said. Manufacturers joined the Governor in his concern about preventing inflation, Mr. Shenkar declared, warning against the injury that extreme measures could bring to all industries.

Mr. Horowitz replied that although his main duty was to prevent inflation, he would do his utmost to advance production and help increase exports.

ESHKOL

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had taken root and investments in productive enterprises were popular.

Mr. Eshkol added "without showing undue optimism, I can say that the economy is moving in the right direction." The aim of the present Government should be to further this favourable trend towards economic independence. Despite this progress, a certain economic stagnation has recently appeared, as shown in the levelling off of exports. Security is also demanding increased expenditure. Another serious phenomenon is increased consumption which leads to the rising of the standard of living.

Two years ago, Mr. Eshkol said, he had stated that it would take 10 years before labour could demand an increase in basic pay. Today, the level of production was still too low and the productive part of the population to small to enable an increase in real wages.

Meanwhile, the country is consuming foodstuffs valued at $20m.-$30m. annually which it receives as gifts from abroad. This situation might be unsatisfactory, but it was inevitable since we need these gifts to enable newcomers to become productive workers and to maintain the country's defence forces. It was hoped that the country would soon outgrow the need for these gifts.

All through his talk, the Minister emphasized that the problem of curbing price increases was not limited to any one sector of the economy. No break-through, whether in industry, agriculture, trade or labour would be tolerated. He listed his struggles in this direction against a demand for higher prices for bread, farm produce and even for the newspaper "Ha'aretz." Prices as well as wages must be controlled.

Mr. Eshkol said that the Government Defence Fund had made unnecessary the planned imposition of a special surtax for defence.

The 10 per cent wage increase demanded by the trade unions, together with accompanying cost-of-living allowances, would increase purchasing power by IL150m. It was impossible to calculate the indirect purchasing power spiral that would result.

Any wage increase would bring about an immediate jump in prices. Thus, the wage increase would be illusory. Furthermore, it would destroy our export potential, lead to a flight of foreign capital from the country, a complete halt to foreign investments and a rush to secure the value of the pound in gold, land or other unconstructive investments. It would kill export possibilities and inevitably in the end bring about the same distribution of the national income "cake" as at present.

Itzhak Siegfried and Ruth Baum (nee Isserlin)
are happy to announce the birth on Nov. 23, 1955, at the Assuta Hospital of their daughter
Ilana
2 Rehov Vilkin, Tel Aviv.

Cyclone Smashes Walls in Holon; Nation-Wide Electricity Cuts

Jerusalem Post Staff

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — A fast-moving hurricane from the sea smashed the walls of 20 houses under construction in the outskirts of Holon yesterday. Damage is estimated at between IL30,000 and IL40,000. It was the largest cyclone recorded so far in Israel, and its forward velocity might have been 150 k.p.h., according to Mr M. Gilad, head of the Meteorological Services, who visited the site today.

The cyclone passed some 200 metres from the Veterans Quarter of Holon. It was watched from a hut 50 metres away by Mr. M. Ben-Asher, foreman of the construction job, and three labourers who were on their way to their work. It was seen ten minutes before seven, when work should have started.

"It suddenly became dark and a mass of rain-soaked sand passed by us," Mr. Ben-Asher told *The Jerusalem Post*. Another worker said, "It was as though a fire was burning inside it."

The hurricane felled brick walls and 25-centimetre thick beams of reinforced concrete. A barrel was hurled 500 metres.

The houses are being put up by the Ministry of Labour for dwellers in the Holon *ma'bara*.

Less rain fell in Tel Aviv during the 24 hours ending yesterday morning than in any other place in the country, just over 6 mm. being registered at the harbour. Light rain began to fall soon after the electricity blackout, shortly before 7 p.m.

In Beersheba, the rain, which fell until the afternoon and which spread as far as Sdom, seeped through the walls of some houses. Beduin could not come into town to market because the *wadis* were filled with the rains of the past two days.

No rain was reported from Eilat or Wadi Ramon.

Minister of Interior Inspects J'lem Damage

The Jerusalem Municipality's plans to destroy dangerous buildings, and steps to lessen the danger of future floods, were discussed yesterday morning between the Minister of Interior, Mr. Israel Bar-Yehuda, Mayor Gershon Agron, Mr. S. B. Yeshaya, District Commissioner, and Mr. Mordechai Ish-Shalom, Deputy Mayor.

After the meeting, Mr. Bar-Yehuda toured the city, with frequent stops at those quarters which had suffered most, and observed the damage and rescue work at first hand.

Yesterday, the Fire Brigade answered 35 calls to pump water out of flooded cellars. In general, however, the city had returned to normal by midmorning, with the sun frequently breaking through between drizzles and light rains.

SIX HUTS BLOWN DOWN IN MA'BARA

HAIFA, Thursday. — Six families who have been living in canvas huts at the Kfar Hassidim *ma'bara* for four years, and for eight months refused to leave them for empty flats at a neighbouring *shikun*, finally agreed to move yesterday after their huts were blown down by the storm. They were joined by six other families who also had refused to move into two-room flats offered them on easy terms, it was learned from the Jewish Agency here.

The six huts were the only storm damage reported by the Agency from northern *ma'barot*.

Hamekasher Driver Told Not to Talk

The judicial authorities were called upon by Jerusalem Magistrate Y. Bazak on Wednesday to investigate the behaviour of two members of the Hamekasher Bus Cooperative who gave evidence in the court which is said to have contradicted their previous evidence given to the police. A driver of the company was acquitted on a charge of driving carelessly, thereby causing grave injuries to a motor cyclist and his wife.

The prosecution had claimed that the driver, Asher Peristein, overtook another bus driven by Moshe Feldhandler, in which the conductor was Machluf Peretz. The motor cyclist, who was coming towards the accused, swerved to the left in order to avoid colliding with him, and hit the bus driven by Feldhandler.

The Magistrate came to the conclusion that the evidence of Feldhandler and his conductor contradicted their previous statements, tendered at the police station, Machluf declared that, immediately after the accident, two members of the Traffic Committee of Hamekasher appeared, and instructed him to say that he had seen nothing. He had therefore given false evidence at the police station, but had later altered it. The second version was again changed in court, but the Magistrate accepted the second testimony.

In the circumstances, the Magistrate said that there was no legal foundation for a conviction, and acquitted the accused.

IL100 FINE FOR NOT BRAKING CAR

For criminal negligence in parking his taxi on Rehov Ben Yehuda in Jerusalem a few months ago without ensuring that the brakes were properly secured, Baruch Barzilai, 39, was fined IL100 and given a two-week suspended sentence yesterday by Jerusalem Magistrate Y. Bazak.

A serious accident was avoided at the time only through the alert action of schoolboy "safety policeman," Moshe Mizrahi, who jumped into the rolling car and stopped it. *(Itim)*

BITTEN GIRL RISKS DEATH

If the girl believed to have been bitten or scratched by a dog infected with rabies 20 days ago does not come forward to receive medical treatment today or tomorrow, there is little hope of saving her, it was learned yesterday in Jerusalem.

Jerusalem police are still continuing their search.

Oil Strike Stimulates Study of Geology

The recent oil strike at Heletz has stimulated interest in geological research in Israel. The number of Hebrew University students wishing to study geology as a major subject rose from five to 20 between 1951 and 1954, and this year 33 applications for admission were received. However, owing to the limited facilities in the Department of Geology, no more than 10 freshmen could be accepted.

The Department is at present moving from the premises it has shared for the past few years with the Government's Geological Survey near the Railway Station into those previously occupied by the Physics Department in Mamillah Road, the latter having now been transferred to its permanent home on the new campus. But this is only a temporary and inadequate solution, particularly in view of the increased number of new students and the introduction of new research and teaching benches.

The Geological Department will move eventually to the new campus into a building for which the Friends of the Hebrew University in San Francisco have pledged themselves to raise the necessary funds.

Professor L. Picard, head of the Department of Geology, as early as 1930 drew attention to the oil-bearing potential of the Gaza region, i.e., the area where Israel's first oil discovery was made. In 1946 he reaffirmed this view in the Review of Petroleum Geology, published by the Colorado School of Mines. After the foundation of the State he advised Prime Minister Ben-Gurion to resume drilling at Heletz, pointing out that in his view the operations of the Iraq Petroleum Company on this spot had been suspended only because of the disturbances in the country, and not because the prospects of striking oil were undetermined.

Norwegian Sailors, Shipwrecked, Fined

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Thursday. — Two Norwegian sailors who were shipwrecked in the Bay here on Tuesday night in the Ogen vessel they "borrowed" to try and reach their tanker, were fined IL100 each by Magistrate S. Razzi here today. They spent the night clinging to the boat which was overturned in the storm, and were rescued by Port police.

The two men, George Odel and Sigmund Norweg, both pleaded guilty to the charge of trespassing and explained that they had been drunk. They had been unable to return to their tanker as Ogen had suspended its boat service because of the storm.

The prosecutor agreed not to ask for prison terms as it would be difficult to repatriate the men.

EIN KAREM RESERVOIR ONE-THIRD FILLED

The new reservoir at Ein Karem was filled to almost 36 per cent capacity by the floodwaters from Wednesday's heavy rains, Tahal reported in Jerusalem yesterday. The reservoir, which can hold 1.1 million cubic metres of water, now contains 400,000 cu. m.

Tahal engineers are already testing the reservoir, and samples of water have been taken for a chemical analysis of the silt. It will take some time, however, before it will be known to what extent the reservoir is watertight.

Two Girls Stuck To Electrified Knob

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A crowd of bystanders stood by helplessly yesterday as Miss Sara Aiwas, 18, remained glued for two minutes to a brass doorknob — charged with electricity owing to a short circuit in a shoe shop in Jaffa Road, Jerusalem.

Her shouts brought her friend, who tried to pull her away but was in turn paralyzed by the current and could not break away from the first victim.

The girls were released by a passing youth who broke the contact by knocking them both down with a flying tackle.

Miss Aiwas was sent home after being treated at Kupat Holim. The short circuit has since been repaired.

SIX JORDANIANS DIE IN FLOODS

The number of casualties in Jordan rose to six killed and several injured during the past 24 hours, NEABS reported yesterday. One engineer was killed and a second seriously injured at the Public Works Department Stores at the Dead Sea when the floods washed away a hut.

Three persons were killed in Amman, while in Silwan village at the foot of Mount Zion an old woman drowned in the flood water. St. Mary's Church in the Old City was almost completely submerged.

In Syria, 50 centimetres of snow fell and many communication lines were interrupted.

LANGUAGE NO BAR TO MET. WORK

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — A Greek meteorologist is now serving here for six months while an Israeli is engaged in research work at Stockholm University as part of the inter-government cooperation for which the World Meteorological Organization is famous, Mr. M. Gilad, head of the Israel Meteorological Services, told members of the Rotary Club here at their luncheon today. Swiss, Iranian and Turkish weathermen have already availed themselves of the facilities Israel offers for study, Mr. Gilad said.

There is no difficulty for anyone acquainted with standards of meteorology to follow this work in any language, Mr. Gilad said. A striking example is that of a 70-year-old woman who, with Rumanian as her only language, found useful employment in the meteorological services almost as soon as she came to Israel.

NEW LEYLAND BUSES SUITED FOR ISRAEL

The 250 Leyland Motor buses ordered by Israel will probably be allocated in the proportion of 150 to Egged, 75 to Dan and 25 to Hamekasher. It was pointed out that the buses incorporate features essential for service in Israel, having high speed for flat roads and good braking power for hilly routes.

FIRST ARAB AIRMAN JOINS NATO GROUP

DETMOLD, Germany, Thursday (Reuter). — The first Arab pilot in NATO, Second Lieutenant Atta Talala, is serving with the 602 Air Observation Post Squadron here. Talala, from Kerak, Jordan, is an Arab Legion pilot who joined the unit on an exchange scheme.

Queen Mother **of the Belgians gives consent to name the Hebrew University building housing the Institute of Archaeology after her. It is to be financed by the Belgian Friends of the University. Photo shows President Benyamin Mazar (second from right) next to Queen Mother Elizabeth on his recent visit to Belgium. Also shown are (left to right): Prof. Oscar Weill, Mrs. Mazar, the Israel Minister to Belgium, Mr. J. Ariel, and Prof. Chaim Peralman, of the University of Brussels.**

'Friends' Help Build H.U. Campus

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Funds raised by the Friends of the Hebrew University abroad are coming in satisfactorily, and building on the new Jewish National and Hebrew University Library will begin shortly, Professor Benjamin Mazar, President of the Hebrew University, told the press yesterday in Jerusalem. He was speaking at a conference arranged to mark his return from a four-month tour of the U.S. and Western Europe on behalf of the University.

He cited several outstanding contributions to the Library, among them $68,000 towards the construction of a Mathematics and Philosophy Wing raised in Manchester and London in honour of Lord Samuel's 85th birthday, and $300,000 collected in Chicago for an Abba Hillel Silver Wing. All told, Chicago has raised $750,000 towards the Library, including a central hall, "The Shrine of the Book," which will house the Dead Sea Scrolls and other valuable documents.

The Departments of Geology, Geography and Meteorology are being built through the assistance of the San Francisco Friends of the University, and the Alpha Omega Jewish dentists' fraternity is giving $300,000 towards the Dental School. Rabbi Israel Goldstein's B'nei Yeshurun congregation is providing a synagogue for the new campus in honour of their leader. A Department of Archaeology, costing $100,000, is the gift of the Belgian Friends of the University, under the patronage of the Queen Mother.

The recent increased interest in archaeology throughout the world has added to the interest in the University, Professor Mazar declared. The "Land of the Bible" was exciting even to those who had grown away from their religion; he cited as an example the phenomenal popularity of Edmund Wilson's articles on the Dead Sea Scrolls, first in the "New Yorker" and later in book form.

Commenting on the dearth of foreign archaeological expeditions to Israel, Professor Mazar said that it was largely a result of the political situation. One American university, however, is definitely planning an excavation for the near future, and others are expected to follow suit.

FRENCH CIVIL PILOTS THREATEN STRIKE

PARIS, Thursday (Reuter). — French civil airline pilots today threatened to join the fortnight-old strike of airport control tower staff if plans to increase traffic guided by Air Force security personnel were put into practice.

Many Areas in Israel Like Heletz—UN Expert

Jerusalem Post Reporter

There are many areas in Israel, geologically speaking, which are just as promising in the search for oil as Heletz, Mr. Joseph Coates, U.N. consulting geologist in Israel for the past two years, told the Jerusalem branch of the Israel U.N. Association at a symposium this week on U.N. technical services.

The greatly enhanced prospects of finding petroleum are largely due to U.N. assistance in a variety of related fields since the passing of the Prospecting Law in 1953, Mr. Coates added.

The symposium was chaired by Dr. C. Hart Schaaf, Permanent U.N. Representative.

The educational aspects of radio were surveyed by Mr. W. O. Galbraith, U.N.E.S.C.O. adviser to Kol Yisrael for the past three months. He said that the weakness of the second programme transmitter severely limited the extensive possibilities of using the medium for teaching Hebrew and giving citizenship training to new immigrants.

Mr. Shimon Tal, one of the six Israel experts who have been sent abroad by the U.N. told of his success in introducing pond-bred carp into the low protein diet of Haiti and Jamaica, where he spent two years. Mr. Tal, of Nir David, is one of the pioneers of the industry in Israel. He was sent by the *kibbutz* to Yugoslavia for study in 1938 and returned with three pairs of carp, the ancestors of all the pond-bred fish in Israel.

'Moulin Rouge'
Film or.....?

HAIFA CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY
Beth Haroze, Wingate Avenue
Sat., Nov. 26, 1955
at 8.30 p.m. sharp
A Mozart Evening
R. Thorner — Oboe; D. Grunschlag—Violin; G. Roehr—Viola; Z. Harel — Cello.
Programme: — Oboe Quartet in F-Major, K.370; Duo for Violin and Viola in G-Major, K. 423; Divertimento in E-flat Major, K. 563.

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TEL AVIV : FESTIVE 60th PERFORMANCE, Ohel Shem, tomorrow, Nov. 26, at 6.30 and 9.15 p.m.
GEDERA : Beth Rachel, Sunday, November 27.
BEERSHEBA : "Keren," Monday, November 28, at 8.30 p.m.
HERZLIAH : "Tiferet," Tuesday, November 29, at 8.30 p.m.
TEL AVIV : "Ohel Shem," Wed., Nov. 30, at 8.30 p.m.
NATHANYA : "Hasharon," Thurs., December 1, at 8.30 p.m.

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BACK TO GOD'S COUNTRY
Today at 3 p.m.: LES LOUPS CHASSENT LA NUIT

Israeli Proposes I.L.O. All-Asian Meeting

GENEVA, Thursday (INA). — Mr. Shlomo Moriel, Israel employers' delegate to the current meeting of the governing body of the International Labour Organisation, proposed today an all-Asia conference on social and economic questions to overcome a four-year-old deadlock which has prevented a Middle East regional conference.

An I.L.O. Middle East regional conference was due to have met in either Teheran or Istanbul in 1950, but owing to the refusal of Arab countries to sit at such a meeting with Israel delegates, it never took place. Mr. Moriel proposed enlarging the framework of such a conference to include all Asian states, and this aroused considerable interest in I.L.O. circles. A decision is expected soon.

Mazer Heads $25m. Special U.J.A. Drive

NEW YORK, Thursday (INA). — Mr. Joseph Mazer, prominent New York Jewish leader, will head the United Jewish Appeal's effort to raise the special $25m. fund earmarked for emergency financing of immigration and settlement programmes in Israel, in addition to the sums U.J.A. will seek to raise in 1956 through the regular campaign.

Announcement of Mr. Mazer's appointment was made by Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman, Executive Vice-Chairman. Mr. Mazer will head a series of visits by the 57 members of the campaign cabinet to every major Jewish community in the country next month to secure commitments to the special fund.

VISIT.—President Camille Chamoun of the Lebanon yesterday accepted an invitation from the Governor-General of Pakistan to visit Karachi.

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Cables in Brief

STORM. — A German trawler sank, two other ships went aground, and two were damaged, as a storm raged in the Eastern North Sea on Wednesday.

ARRESTS. — The Yugoslav news agency, Yugopress, yesterday strongly condemned the reported arrest of 14 members of the Yugoslav minority in Hungary. The agency, which is close to the Foreign Office, said some of them were known to have belonged to Marshal Tito's partisan forces in the war. One was a priest.

COMMUNISTS. — Security forces in Malaya killed 28 Communist terrorists during October. Eighteen surrendered and six were captured, the Federal Government announced yesterday.

EXTRAS.—The number of people listed as patients of London doctors under the National Health Scheme exceeds the total population of the capital by more than 2,400. The London Executive Council of the Health Service yesterday called on the Ministry of Health to overhaul the registration system to ensure that no patient appears on more than one doctor's list.

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Israel's Enemies 'Honourable Men'

By MAURICE CARR

PARIS. — THE statesmen of the Four Great Powers, whose peace-making efforts are bringing the Middle East perilously close to war, are, in the Shakespearian phrase, all honourable men. Every one of them is guided by motives which, from his own point of view, are unexceptionable.

Now the French have decided to resume arms shipments to Egypt — jet planes, tanks and mortars, to supplement the vast Czech deliveries of weapons to Cairo. Who would blame France for this? She has struck a useful bargain, obtaining a pledge from the Egyptians that they will cease to fan the flames of revolt in French North Africa. Will Col. Nasser keep his word? That is the question. But if he should happen to do so, then the extreme Moslem nationalists — who only aspire to throw out the infidel and leave the Moghreb to stagnate in Islamic medievalism — will be doomed.

Deprived of propaganda backing, of money and munitions from Cairo, the Salah Ben Yussefs will wither away in Tunisia while the "Black Crescent" terrorists, who after the restoration of Sultan Sidi Mohammed Ben Yussef are tearing down his portrait and continuing their campaign of murder, will perish. The moderate nationalists, the famous Bourguibas and the unknowns of the Moroccan Party of Democratic Independence and of the Istiklal, will, hand in hand with France, proceed to build up the first democratic modern states in the Arab world, leading the masses out of feudal darkness into the light of social justice within the framework of a renovated French Commonwealth.

Then again, France, who was not even consulted when the British and Americans arranged the Turco-Iraqi treaty, can best keep a foothold in the Middle East by joining forces with the local adversaries of the Baghdad pact, that is, with neutralist Egypt and independent Iraq—fearing Syria. So hats off to the Quai d'Orsay!

The British leaders, too, are honourable men. The Prime Minister, Sir Anthony Eden, has offered personally to mediate between Jews and Arabs. What he is asking is that the diminutive Jewish State should agree to cede land to the huge, underpopulated Arab world which is already several hundred times larger than Israel and stretches from the Atlantic to the Indian Ocean.

As for the U.S. State Department, its professional diplomats are undoubtedly attracted to the Eden plan, but the Republican politicians are fearful of throwing the American Jewish voters into the arms of the Democrats in this presidential pre-election year. All praise to the providential presidential pre-election period!

The case for the Kremlin is that it is concerned about Western airfields on Russia's doorsteps in Turkey, Iraq or anywhere else in the Middle East, and is delighted to take the anti-Western Arab countries under its wing. In the broader interests of peace and humanity, Russia does not give a rap about the survival of little Israel, product of the *bourgeois* Zionist experiment. Glory to the peace partisans!

There is no assurance, either, should the "Big Four" finally come to some agreement on the Middle East, in or outside the United Nations, that it will not be at Israel's expense.

For Israel, the present situation is, perhaps, the most critical since the War of Independence, since Ernest Bevin pulled out the British Mandatory forces, in the confident hope that he was leaving disarmed Palestinian Jewry an easy prey for the Arab hordes. For world Jewry, this is the most threatening moment since Hitler acceded to power and crocodile tears flowed profusely over Jewish martyrdom. In this emergency, it is surely not enough that Diaspora Jewry should utter expressions of sympathy while the Israel Government proclaims its determination not to give away territory.

What is needed — as it appears to your Parisian Galut correspondent — is that young Jews from happy homes in the free countries should swarm to Israel here and now in their thousands and tens of thousands, to settle, fructify and hold the still empty, coveted areas of the Jewish State. Such action could finally convince the international chancelleries and the Arabs that Israel, though seemingly vulnerable strategically, has an invincible human hinterland. The sooner that idea sinks in, the sooner will swords be beaten into ploughshares in the Middle East.

It is up to the Zionist — and even non-Zionist — bodies in the Diaspora to do what is necessary at once. For there can be no illusions: if ill befalls Israel, then the Great Power leaders and rank-and-file will all remain honourable men; then alone the Diaspora Jews who stood idly by will be sneeringly regarded as dishonourable men, eternal ghetto creatures, who dare never raise their heads again.

Yesterday's Press

Too Much Muddling Through

"HA'ARETZ" (non-party) writes that it is characteristic of Israel's economy to have an additional budget amounting to 17 per cent of the original one submitted and approved four months before the close of the fiscal year. No new taxes are imposed, nor are the existing tax rates increased. If every member of the public would go to the trouble of examining this budget item for item, he would find that it amounts to nothing more than book-keeping adjustments, but since the public is not expected to go to such lengths and will be content with glancing at the final figures, it will be alarmed and behave accordingly. Hence, this budget may go far towards endangering Mr. Eshkol's real aims in his fight against inflation.

"Haboker" (General Zionist) remembers when the present Governor of the Bank of Israel was Economic Adviser to the Jewish Agency, in which capacity he carried on a relentless fight for a higher standard of living. Now both he and the Treasury's Financial Adviser, Professor Lerner, see that a lowering of that standard is necessary if we are to keep our heads above water. The paper contends that had such an awakening come earlier, the workers would have been spared a good deal of heartbreak. There is no doubt that the present situation calls for emergency measures to ward off fresh financial tremors but it is doubtful if the present Government coalition will be sufficiently bold to carry out the required operation.

"Davar" (Histadrut) is surprised at the police procedure adopted in the case of the smuggling suspects, who are being held under "house arrest." The paper claims that certainty of guilt calls for a remand; if there is insufficient ground for requesting such a remand then there is also no basis for detaining the suspect. This matter of an "agreement" between suspects and Police may be misconstrued, and is apt to start tongues wagging. There should be no discrimination between one suspect and another.

Herut 'Tired'

"Herut" is tired of Ben-Gurion's warning that "Israel will be destroyed," as well as with Sharett's "we are calm" statement in America, saying that Israel does not need such "defences" before world opinion and can even now take on all Arab countries and give them a sound thrashing. America and Britain would not move a finger; and in the end would recognise the position *de facto*.

"Hatzofe" (World Mizrahi) writes that Jordan will have no cause for complaint if Israel is forced to clear up the border situation which, on her own confession, Jordan is unable to handle. At the same time, the paper lashes out against the offer to send driblets of arms to Israel on condition that she desist from retaliation; and against Mr. Eden's statement that the 1950 Guarantee said nothing of an arms balance, which empties the Guarantee of all content.

THIS WEEK...

Foreign Relations Israel protested to the Security Council against Egypt for launching more than 20 attacks on Israel positions, settlements and roads in the past three weeks. Egypt also stepped up its attacks on road traffic and settlements in Israel from bases in Jordan, and there were indications that Jordan was not happy about it. The Arab Legion killed a settler on the border while Jordan marauders murdered another settler on the roads. Government statements asserted that Egypt was obviously trying to provoke Israel into war and was maintaining tension as a prelude to starting a war itself. The Defence Forces meanwhile kept their guns silent but their powder dry. In Washington, Foreign Minister Sharett met Secretary of State Dulles for a discussion on the arms-to-Egypt question. In London, Prime Minister Eden, who seemed to receive no support for his Guildhall proposals except from Cairo, contradicted his statement of November 1954 by saying that the 1950 Tripartite Declaration, which guarantees the borders, said nothing of maintaining an arms balance. In Jerusalem, Prime Minister Ben-Gurion said in an interview that the U.K. and the U.S.S.R. were following similar policies on the Middle East for different ends both of which might lead to Israel's destruction.

Nature Floods returned for the second time in a month. Hardest hit was Jerusalem where cellars were inundated, and a home collapsed killing a girl. Rains drove all locusts from the country.

Economy The Cabinet approved three special budgets, one of which provided for spending the IL25m. expected to be raised voluntarily for arms. The budgets totalled IL161m. The United Jewish Appeal decided to raise an extra $25m. to help Israel bring in immigrants. Intra-Mapai and Histadrut differences over the national wage policy were being ironed out.

Readers' Letters

"POST" IN U.S.

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — May I tell you how much I enjoyed reading *The Jerusalem Post* while visiting Israel during September and October? I cannot tell you how much it meant to me.

It occurred to me to bring these papers back to New York and to give them to my friends as souvenirs of Israel. The papers made quite a bundle. I had to have them cleared through customs at Lydda airport in Tel Aviv as well as Idlewild, New York, but it was worth it. The eagerness with which these papers were received by all those to whom I gave these "souvenirs" was both pleasing and gratifying and their appreciation of the paper was very apparent.

Yours, etc.
MRS. ANNA L. DODD
Brooklyn, N.Y., November 18.

TOURIST OBSERVATIONS

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — As a visitor from England, I am very happy indeed to be able to say most sincerely and wholeheartedly—well done! I should also like to put on record the friendliness of the people in all walks of life.

I wish to refer, however, to two exceptions: The seafront and the buses in Tel Aviv. The promenade up to London Park is unattractive and uncomfortable. I call it the "Desert of Sahara." Is it because no trees can grow there? I have noticed that even the trees in the park, behind the seats, have withered, depriving the park of much desired shade.

A more serious problem, however, is that of the buses. To a newcomer, the load of humanity jammed inside is a positively frightening sight. Once inside, the swaying speed, the screeching noise and the banging of the doors is a most unpleasant experience, to say the least. But, if in addition to this, the passengers engage the driver in a lengthy conversation, then it is an absolute nightmare. I often almost "jump out of my skin," for fear of an accident and I am usually relieved to alight without mishap. In spite of all this, I think the drivers deserve medals to be able to concentrate and work so skilfully in such difficult circumstances. I believe the driver should be in his own compartment, isolated from the public — for its own safety — and released of any other duties.

Yours, etc.
A. S.
Tel Aviv, November 8.

PEN FRIENDS

LEONARD GOLDBERG, 20, of 5705 Tyrone Avenue, Van Nuys, California, U.S.A., would like to correspond with a girl from Israel.

SYRIANS DOUBLE DEFENCE BUDGET

The Syrian Government has doubled the defence budget during the past two months following Cabinet approval, and is prepared to suspend, either partly or entirely, public projects and development schemes in order to increase the purchase of arms, President Shukri Kuwatly declared at a reception at the Damascus Officers Club on Wednesday night, the Arab News Agency reported yesterday.

Kuwatly asserted that the Syrian Army "had never lost the Palestine war," but on the contrary had gained territory occupied by the Israelis. "My main concern is the liberation of Palestine from the robbers who call themselves Zionists," he added.

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VISITORS' GALLERY — *Transvaal Judge*

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Born in South Africa, he was appointed to the Transvaal Bench in 1924, the youngest judge ever to serve in the Union. He rose to be the Judge President of the province and in 1943 was appointed to the Appeal Court, which has five judges. For several months before his retirement he served as Acting Chief Justice, the highest legal post. The first and only Jew in the Court, he was, at his retirement, the second senior judge of the Union.

Judge Greenberg recalled that he was first drawn to Zionism by Nahum Sokolov, during the latter's fund-raising campaign for the Keren Hayesod in S.A. in 1926. Since then he has been actively associated with the Zionist movement, and has stood at the head of its fund-raising campaigns. He is a member of the Board of Governors of the Hebrew University. On his retirement South African Jewry wished to pay tribute to his outstanding position and to the distinguished service he has rendered to South African Zionism. They decided to found a Chair in Roman Law at the H.U. in his name, but following discussions between the S.A. Zionist Federation and the Israel Authorities, the establishment of an Institute for Forensic Medicine was found to be more suitable.

At present the Judge is here on a three week visit with a group of 11 South African doctors and lawyers, during which he attended the opening of the institute in his honour. It is his fourth visit to this country. He was impressed by the "feeling of calm of the people in the present difficult situation." He found "tremendous change: building in Tel Aviv, development in the Negev, the road to the Dead Sea and the improvement in the amenities of living," since his 1951 visit.

A widower and father of two sons, the retired Judge is retiring when talking about himself, but the other members of the party praised him eagerly and were proud of the distinguished position he had attained, which they feel as a high compliment to the whole Jewish community.

"Among the very few Jews who were elevated to the Bench in S.A., he is one of the fewer still actively continuing their interest and work for the Zionist Federation, and associating themselves with the Jewish community." For this, they have "particular appreciation."

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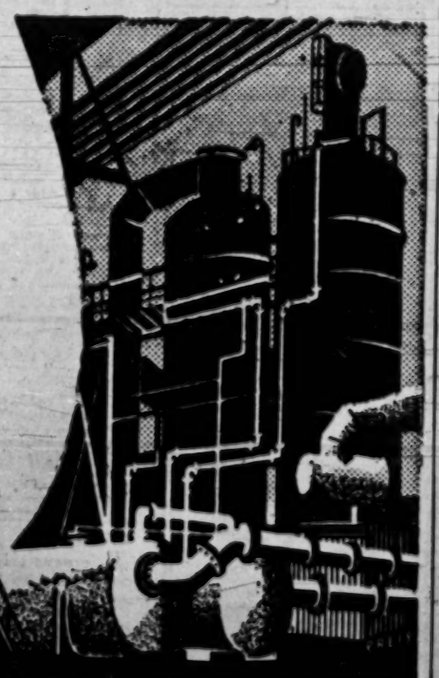
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DOV JOSEPH

THE return from the United States of the former Minister of Development, Dr. Dov Joseph, has coincided with the opening of the tap at the Heletz well for the first test flow of oil. For the past month, Dr. Joseph has been engaged in promoting the sale abroad of Israel Development Bonds, the instrument through which scores of thousands of friends of Israel have demonstrated their confidence in the country's economic future. His special qualifications for this task were stressed by Premier Ben-Gurion recently when he recalled that as Development Minister he had "demonstrated great initiative."

Introducing his new Cabinet to the Knesset three weeks ago, Mr. Ben-Gurion expressed his sorrow at the absence of his "dear friend... who had earned his place in the new history of our nation" when he served as Military Governor of the besieged capital in 1948. The Prime Minister particularly mentioned Dr. Joseph's display of courage, drive and loyalty when burdened with an unpopular post. At this juncture, one can join Mr. Ben-Gurion in saying: "Dov Joseph's service to the State has not come to an end, even though he regains his place outside of the Government."

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ANTARCTIC DEPARTURE

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Soviet Wooing of Arabs is Concerted Drive

By YEHOSHUA GILBOA

BY now there is no doubt whatsoever that every step recently taken by the Soviet Union in the Middle East is part of a concerted drive which is too thorough not to have taken many months to prepare.

Careful observers detected the emergence of a comprehensive Soviet Middle East policy quite some time ago (Ze'ev Lagueur discussed the subject fully in *The Jerusalem Post* on July 22 and 29) and after the Geneva Conference signs of a changed Russian attitude toward the Israel-Arab conflict began to multiply as well.

I have before me a number of copies of recent issues of the Soviet weekly on international affairs, "New Times," which appears in ten languages (and soon will, presumably, in Arabic too). It is impossible not to notice the important place which they devote to the Arab countries, and especially Egypt, or the way they ignore Israel. Until recently they never mentioned the Arab-Israel dispute at all; today they hint that the U.S.S.R. is in sympathy with the Arab stand in this dispute.

Let me refer more extensively to an article in the issue of September 8, three weeks before the announcement of the Czech-Egyptian arms deal. It is entitled "Egypt on to A New Phase," signed by an L. Vatolina, and opens by noting the great joy with which the Russian public welcomes Abdul Nasser's consent to visit the U.S.S.R.

There follows a long paean of praise to Egypt's ancient civilization, which exercised influence by discoveries of worldwide importance in the fields of mathematics and astronomy, artistic and architectural contributions like the Pyramids, the Sphinx, sarcophagi, ancient temples, etc. Then after the thought-provoking sentence "Egypt was once one of the world's most powerful states" (if then, why not today?), Vatolina moves on to the Revolution of 1952 and a shower of compliments on the military junta, which not only has liberated the country from Farouk and from foreigners but is carrying out agrarian reforms, pursuing a policy of peace and strengthening its bonds with the Soviet bloc. . . . . .

The author then quotes Chou En-lai's Bandung statement that "if every Chinese were to get himself an extra centimetre of cloth a year, China could buy up Egypt's entire cotton crop," adding that "the Soviet Union could supply most of Egypt's requirements of wheat, flour, oil, coal, farm machinery and various other industrial products."

The climax is reached in the concluding part, which affirms that "our country has often supported Egypt in her struggle for sovereign rights, as in 1947, when the U.S.S.R. supported, in the Security Council, Egypt's demand that foreign troops be removed from her soil; and in March 1954, when the Soviet Delegation defended Egypt's incontestable rights with regard to navigation in the Suez Canal," and that "Egypt can no longer be dismissed lightly when it comes to the settlement of international questions."

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IT would be wrong to say that the Soviet Union embarked on her course of arming the Arabs without serious apprehensions. She first tried all sorts of other methods to penetrate into the Middle East, only to discover they were not effective enough. Neither favourable trade agreements and offers of technical aid, nor yet the spectacle of Soviet artists singing Arabic songs at the Cairo Opera House, nor even adulation of the Egyptian dictator and support, in the Soviet Press and at the U.N., for the Arab case in the "Palestine Problem," sufficed to win the Arabs over. Then, after coolly balancing the liability of alienating the world's Jewish public opinion against the gains in influence in the Middle East at the side of the Arabs, the U.S.S.R. took the plunge.

Backward Countries Easier

The plunge was not taken out of anti-Semitism. It was not taken out of the conviction that the Arabs were right and Israel wrong. It did have something to do, however, with Russia's realisation that she could never expect to win influence in Israel. The experience of the past 38 years, and especially of the last ten, has taught Russia that Communism has a far better chance of penetrating backward countries than advanced countries — and in Soviet eyes Israel belongs to the latter category. It does not matter if the Communist Party is at present stronger in Israel than in the rest of the Middle East: what is more relevant is that the Arab countries are devoid of organised and disciplined political forces that could resist Communism and that is what enabled the tiny Communist parties of Russia (and China) to take over when the time came. Among Israelis, on the other hand, as Moscow well knows, the psychological resistance to the denial of individual freedom under Communism is very strong.

Russia has almost no chance of winning Israel's intellectuals over: she has an excellent chance among Arab intellectuals — devoid of a liberal tradition, deprived of the opportunity to lead by the backwardness of the society around them, attracted by the supreme plus of Communism in Asian eyes: a way of effecting reform, modernization and industrialisation quickly.

The apprehensions of other Arabs can be overcome — they always put the Israel "danger" before any Communist threat, and they are being catered to by the presence of "Pravda's" Editor-in-Chief at the national holiday celebrations in Cairo, by Chou En-lai's ingratiating himself with Abdul Nasser and the Mufti, and by the Egyptian Communists' contribution to the Cairo arms collections while Israel Communists are attacking Arms for Defence. What all this leaves undone will be achieved by the Soviet exports and technicians that are to accompany the arms shipments.

The persistent reports of new arrests of Jews in the Soviet Union may well be an additional enticement to the Arabs. It is as if the Russians were telling them: "We're not just against Israel. We're keeping an eye on the Jews at home too."

Defender of the Faith

In order to increase her influence in the Middle East, the Soviet Union has pulled out a rusty weapon from her arsenal. The weapon is — Islam. It is well known that the Moslems of the U.S.S.R. have been subjected for several decades to a relentless process of Russification and secularization that has resulted as much from the attitude of the authorities as from the objective circumstances of modern Russia, with its melting pot of cultures, its population movements, and its patterns of life and work. How can the Soviet Moslem, state employee that he is like the other citizens, stop work for prayer five times a day? How can he rest on Friday? How can he keep the Ramadan, which would mean working on an empty stomach nearly all day? Where can he get the animals that are required for certain religious ceremonies? And how can he go on pilgrimages to Mecca?

What is more, the years 1937-38 brought a liquidation of the Moslem leadership, for fear that it might form the nucleus of a counter-revolutionary movement; the overwhelming majority of mosques were closed; Cyrillic characters are now in use in place of Arabic writing; and the Soviet citizen is always fearful lest he be denied advance along the ladder of social and administrative privileges if the authorities should find out that he is religious.

None of this presents a problem for the Soviet Government, which has now assumed the role of Defender of Islam along with the role of crusader for Arab national demands. It has organised pilgrimages to Mecca, although from the thorough weeding out and selection of the pilgrims and from the contingent of secret police that escorted them one might well gather that it was not prayer that was in their hearts.

This is borne out by the account of the latest pilgrimage which appeared in "New Times." The Faithful, which included an "Imam from Tashkent and other religious dignitaries," travelled by special plane — by way of Ankara, Beirut and Cairo — to Mecca and Medina, thence back to Cairo, where it tarried for a week. The trip took two months, and on the way the pilgrims exchanged gifts and took the opportunity to laud the freedom of religion which they enjoyed back home.

It is a well-organised drive that is being carried out by the Soviets in the Middle East. It takes in Chinese markets, Rumanian oil, Polish coal, East German experts, smooth newspaper and radio talk, raised hands at the U.N., airborne Uzbeks and Kazaks, artistic delegations. But the gate will still have to be crashed with Skoda tanks.

This is the last of five articles. The others appeared on November 11, 16, 18 and 24.

AFTER GENEVA

Germany Remains Chief Problem

By NORA BELOFF

GENEVA (OFNS).—

ALL through the Geneva talks and, most particularly during the closing days, the delegations were principally concerned with what to do next to retain the peace initiative and how to convince their public that it was the other fellow's fault that reconciliation between East and West was not as easy as the Summit Conference and the "Geneva spirit" had led people to suppose.

The Russians had the least to worry about as they had taken their precautions in advance and none of their leading journalists was here. While Geneva proceedings were splashed in the Western newspapers almost every day, the Communists' "Pravda" never once allowed it on the front page, preferring, instead, other topics such as the Soviet-Norwegian talks or the coming visit of Soviet visitors to India as illustrations of the survival of the Geneva spirit.

On the very day that Mr. Molotov, in handling Item Three of the Geneva agenda on East-West contacts, was thumping against American imperialism and espionage in the old style, "Pravda" published a message from Soviet journalists visiting the United States which, American experts here say, was the warmest panegyric of the American people which has appeared in the Russian Press since World War II.

The Russians, it seemed, were resolved to continue to play up their peaceful intentions and to slow down the arms race by all means short of abandoning a square inch of the Soviet bloc. Even the Middle East intervention, through Czech arms for Egypt, was being interpreted here by the Russians as merely an effort to throw spokes in the wheels of the proposed anti-Soviet Middle Eastern defence pact and further indication of the Russian desire to maintain the *status quo*.

On the American side, electoral exigencies seem to have dictated the delegation's conduct and these themselves were ambivalent: the Republicans were evidently determined to meet the next elections as the peace party, but they certainly would not do a deal accepting the *status quo* and seeming to endorse the Soviet control over the satellites, whose emigrants constitute an important section of the American electorate.

Basically, however, the American policy has not altered: the leaders continue to believe that if the present West German Government can resist Soviet temptations and continue to build up a West German army within the North Atlantic bloc, the time will come when the West, negotiating at last from strength, will be able to convince the Russians that they must respect the Federal Republic's right to absorb the Eastern zone of Germany.

The British played a retiring role in which it was obvious that they felt there were other more immediate dangers to peace than the European deadlock and would not strain Anglo-American solidarity in a relatively quiet area. That is why, even before the conference began, the British quietly withdrew the proposal first offered by Sir Anthony Eden at the Summit Conference in July which suggested a zonal disarmament plan running along the existing East-West frontier. This might have offered a means of East-West negotiations but it offended the West Germans and the Americans by seeming to accept the perpetuation of a divided Germany.

In France, public opinion was pressing hard for an understanding with Russia, and Foreign Minister Antoine Pinay warned his allies that they must at least be able to assure the French public in the final communique that there would be no slamming of doors. The Government which he represents claims the credit for having brought about the July summit meeting and, if there are to be imminent French elections, wants to be sure that it can still boast of having put the East and West back on speaking terms.

In fact, the one thing on which all participants at this conference seemed agreed was that the settlement of the German, and, therefore, the European question, was, as Mr. Molotov put it, "first of all a matter for the Germans themselves." Policies now being planned and pursued will be directed principally towards the Germans. Germany, defeated and divided, again holds the future of Europe in its hands.

What's New

By DAHN BEN-AMOTZ

IN Lausanne, at the convention whose name we're tired of mentioning, we had the good fortune to meet Arab travel agents from Egypt, Jordan, Syria, the Lebanon and even some from the Old City of Jerusalem who live a 15-minute walk from us, if there weren't a delay at the border. And we didn't meet a single one whose hatred for Israel was stronger than his desire for nostalgic reminiscences. We had coffee with them, we ate at the same tables, we talked freely about everything, and we kept kidding each other. We really made friends with some of them and even now it is hard to believe that one dark day we might see them through field glasses, on the other side of a minefield, beyond the border of hatred.

Naturally, one of our favourite subjects was peace, and when we managed to corner one of the Arab delegates we magnanimously offered them a free port in Haifa, a route through the Negev, resettlement of refugees, compensation, et cetera. We couldn't get over the illusion that we were speaking for our country and they for theirs. As a result, no peace was achieved.

Since each of the delegates wore an identification badge, including the name of his country and company, there was no need for introductions, and on the first day of the convention, at a lunch given by the Swiss Tourist Office, we found ourself sitting at the same table as the manager of Arab Airways Ltd., an Englishman named Mr. H. H. Pusey, and a Lebanese couple whose name we can't recall. "Look who we're stuck with," said Mr. Pusey, pointing at our badge. We all laughed and exchanged *shaloms* and *ahlan wasahlans*. Then someone filled our glasses with wine and we suggested a toast to peace in the Middle East. Mr. Pusey objected. "I'm against peace for two reasons," he said. "I wouldn't want my company to be swallowed up by El Al, and all local air traffic would suffer if the borders were open. My career is at stake as it is. All I need now is that someone should see me sitting with an Israeli." We all laughed. "By the way," he continued, "could you do me a favour and find out what happened to my bi-plane that the Israelis confiscated in '48. Is El Al using it?" We told him we had seen it not long ago at the Aviation Museum in Petah Tikva. He gave us a hearty laugh. A photographer passed the table and we asked our friends to smile so we could record the happy occasion. Mr. Pusey and the Lebanese couple ducked quickly under the table, laughing. It became a standing joke with our Arab friends at the convention.

The same evening at a grand reception in the Castle of St. Hilarion in Montreux we met two more Arabs. The first was a young Egyptian by the name

of Takhsin Assaf, Manager of Eastmar Travel Corporation, 10/12 Adly Pasha Street, Cairo — phone 54939. Mr. Assaf looked like a European girl's idea of an Arab Don Juan, dark, tall, with shiny curly hair and a Rudolph Valentino smile. As a matter of fact he acted rather like a travel agent out of the Arabian Nights. We bumped into him several times during the reception and each time he was holding the arm of a different woman, whispering passionately, "Come with me to Egypt, the land of pyramids, the pearl of the orient, the land of enchantment and mystery, the land of camel carsvans on moonlight nights. Come let us run away." A few times he interrupted his sales talk to introduce us and say, "Meet my enemy. Today we are having a fine time together here, but tomorrow we will meet on the battlefield. This is life." Then he would turn to us and ask in Arabic what we thought of the babe.

The other Arab we met at the same reception was actually an Armenian named George Garabedian (Saladin Street, Bab El Zahreh, Jerusalem — Tel. 398) who was wearing a red Arab Legion *kaffiyeh*. Before the war, he lived in Katamon and used to drink coffee with his friends in the Cafe Vienna. He was very pleasant, but when we asked him to take part in a recording for the National Broadcasting Company where Arab and Israel travel agents were to share the microphone, he wriggled out of it although we promised him that no politics would be discussed. The recording took place the following day in the hotel room of Horace Sutton, as well-known American travel writer. The participants were Hugo Mendelsohn of Globe Tours, Jerusalem, Mr. A. Y. Aweidah from the Old City (Tel. 353) and an Egyptian named Yussuf Mohammed, if we're not mistaken.

Mr. Sutton was about to open the programme when Mr. Aweidah noticed that Mr. Mendelsohn was sitting in the middle between Egypt and Jordan. He said that Jordan and Egypt should sit next to each other and Israel on the side. After this change had been made, Mr. Mohammed, speaking with great pathos, told the American audience that his country offers everybody, without religious or racial discrimination, (including Jews who are not Zionists) 6,000 years of history in a one-week tour. Mr. Aweidah kept referring to Jordan as the Holy Land, telling about Bethlehem and the Old City and advising tourists to leave Jordan via Mandelbaum Gate to visit Israel and such holy spots as Nazareth and Kfar Nahum. Mr. Mendelsohn said that Israel is very holy, too, and that Israel is the land of the Bible and that tourists would have a fine time seeing holy places, the new achievements, the beautiful hotels and the Middle East Riviera. He told the American audience that if they wanted to see the Middle East they should first tour the Arab states and then visit Israel. He finished his speech by saying he hoped that this nuisance would soon be finished and people would be able to travel freely between the Arab states and Israel. As far as we know, that was the first time that Arabs and Israelis had sat together at one table and had said nice things about each other.

Among the other Arabs we met were Raouf Darwish of the Arab Tourist Agency Ltd., P.O.B. 48, Jerusalem, Jordan, who is also an American Express representative and whom many old-time Israelis should remember. He was in a very bad mood because his name appeared in the list of participants in the conference under the address Jerusalem, Israel. We suggested that he sue ASTA for moral injury and he thought it was a good idea. Then there was Fouad Habibi, formerly of Haifa, whose uncle is the Communist M.K. Habibi from Nazareth. He asked us to give his uncle his best regards, which we hereby do. Abdul Aziz Abultimman of Baghdad (Tel. 4247) was another pleasant man who hoped that some settlement would soon be reached so that he could send American tourists to Israel and receive tourists from us. We had such a fine time with our neighbours that very often we would walk down the street together singing and shouting. The whole Middle East was marching there — Syria, the Lebanon, Jordan, Israel, Egypt and right in the middle a Mr. Louis of Cyprus. The only reason this parade broke up was because we threatened them with a photographer.

We remember one evening talking at one of the parties with our friend Tahsin Assaf. We were discussing women, if we are not mistaken, and next to us stood an English travel agent who tried very hard to get in a word now and then. Finally Mr. Assaf turned around and said, "Eh-please, can't you leave us at peace? You see we stand here and talk and everything is all right. You have made enough troubles and now leave us alone." We laughed and the Englishman smiled. We shook hands with Tahsin and promised each other that if the worst came to the worst and if we should see each other through field glasses, we would shoot a little bit to the side.

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The Eighth Israel Championship which came to a close last Saturday saw M. Czerniak, international master, emerging victor of the event which lasted for nearly two months. The four top players came to the final round in the following order: Czerniak 11½, Porath 10, Aloni and Smiltiner 9½. Smiltiner had the satisfaction of beating Czerniak (who was already playing the final game as the new champion). Aloni launched an all-out attack against Rosenberg finally adding another point to his score, while Porath had to be satisfied with a draw against Van Amrungen, and so the three finally shared 2-4 places. The last game of the tournament (Dobkin-Weiler) was still played when the prize-giving ceremony was already on. Dobkin finally winning it, and so the final score of the championship was as follows: 1) Czerniak 11½ (W.10, L.2, D.3); 2-4) Porath, Smiltiner and Aloni 10½; 5) Fischer 9½; 6) Dr. Oren 8½; 7) Dobkin 8; 8-9) Dr. Zakon and Rosenberg 7½; 10) Van Amrungen 7; 11-12) Dinner and Weiler 6; 13-14) Labunski and David 5½; 15) Kniager 3½; 16) Shayovich 2½.

Czerniak earned a well-deserved victory, though one must not overlook the fact that his play was sometimes risky and he needed a good deal of luck to escape from almost lost positions, but this time Caissa was generous to him. This was what Aloni apparently lacked this time, for otherwise he might well have shared honours with the winner. Porath played fine chess but lack of practice again told on his score. Smiltiner might well be satisfied with his result, which in fact was the best he has ever attained in a national championship. The same applies to Fischer, who made up for his poor showing in the last championship. Oren's score was of course disappointing, and it seems that ill-health took its toll this time.

CZERNIAK IS NEW ISRAEL CHAMPION

The find of the tournament was 19-year-old Arieh Rozenberg who with more tournament experience might develop into a fully-fledged master. Van Amrungen, who came next, was another promising player who might do better with more experience. Kniager had unfortunately to withdraw on account of ill-health, which is quite disappointing for a top player like him, while Shayovich, who also had to withdraw towards the end, was expected to do better after his fine showing in the League games.

On the whole, the tournament was well organized, with the tournament director, Rav-Seren Ben Sinai, keeping almost military discipline. The Israel Chess Federation is to be congratulated on having accomplished a hard task with practically no outside help. As for the quality of play, the 8th championship has proved once again that Israel chess is of international standard and should be encouraged in every way.

Here is a fine game by the new champion:

GAME No. 827

White: David — Black: Czerniak

1.e4 d6; 2.d4 Nf6; 3.Nc3 g6; 4.f3 Bg7; 5.Be3 Nbd7; 6.Qd2 h6; 7.Be2 e5; 8.0-0-0 h5; 9.Kb1 Bh7; 10.Nh3 Re8; 11.Nf2 c5; 12.d:e5 b4; 13.Ne4 Qa5; 14.Nfd6 N:d6; 15.e:d6 Ne7; 16.a3 B:h3; 17.N:h3 Qa4+; 18.Kb1 0-0; 19.Qe1 Qa3; 20.Qb6 Re7; 21.Bd3 Rb8; 22.Ng4 h5; 23.Nfe5+ Kg7; 24.Qa5 Q:a2+; 25.K:a2 Nc5; 26.Be4 Ra7+; 27.Kb2 K:h3; 28.B:c6 d:c6; 29.Ra1 Rae7; 30.Re4 b3; 31.B:c6 R:e4+; 32.Kb1 R:a5; 33.R:a5 B:g2; 34.Re1 Rb8; 35.Re7 Ra3; 36.R:a3 b:a3+; 37.K:a2 R:b6; 38.R:e7 Rb8; 39.R:c6 R:f3; 40.Re7 Rg7. White resigns.

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Some People You Find in Lower Galiliee

By Ya'acov Friedler

STARTING from the bottom, Tiberias begins where Lake Tiberias ends, bordered by a bulwark of dark basalt stone. Along it the little blue motor fishing boats are tied up now, during the short season which comes and goes with the rains. As many as 160 fishermen set out in them to bring back the famous Amnon fish of the Kinneret, which seems to be hardly anything but skin and bones when you try it at first but turns out to be almost all meat once you get the knack. Here too, little boys with tins of nuts and plastic fishing lines train to follow in their fathers' wake while a ginger cat slinks in the background ruins ready to pounce on any fish the boys catch and fail to put in their bags before the cat turns it into the "big one that got away."

The men sell their catch to the waterfront cafes and the local fish market, or send it out of town. Mino Goldzweig, the erstwhile "King of Tiberias Fish," who used to buy up all the catches with his Arab partner, still owns a shop in the market but his reign has become a legend now.

The fish cafes stretch along the waterfront waiting for customers. The Hayam cafe is next to the Terra Sancta Church with its emblematic anchor and shoal of fish on the wrought-iron gate. The cafe is large and amazingly clean, looking almost as if its owner, Eli Abadi, had a secret sea-cock hidden somewhere, which he opens now and then to let the Lake's clear water rinse his place. "They come to me because my place is large and clean and the fish and food are good, and also because I'm on good terms with the drivers of the great," Eli confides.

Unfortunately, many Tiberias visitors don't come again. "They take the baths for a couple of weeks and disappear. They tell me that they are cured of their rheumatism and don't have to make the journey again." What about the Syrians, firing from their positions on the opposite shore? "We in Tiberias know it's nothing, but many guests just pack up and go when they hear the first bang. The Syrians haven't hit Tiberias yet, but whenever there is an incident even in the southernmost Negev, guests cancel their visit. Incidents are not rare. We need peace."

On one building a sign marks the abode of the "White Star, Revealer of the Future." Not a fortune teller, but a revealer. You walk into a rickety building, up steep, narrow steps supplemented by a shaky wooden ladder. Screaming children dodge up past you. "*Ima, Ima,* someone for you."

To your surprise a neatly dressed, pleasant and soft-spoken middle-aged lady greets you and reveals the most immediate future. "It costs a pound." She reads your palm with the aid of *mandel* and a gold chain that she keeps in a glass of water. You don't know what *mandel* are? "Ask your Rabbi," she tells you knowingly.

The revelation of my past was remarkably correct and I only hope that my future turns out as satisfactorily as she told me after making me close my eyes while she earnestly appealed for inspiration to the "Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Moses and David; Lord of the Awe-inspiring Name... You won't be rich. Oh no, (with a spiral upward movement of her hand) but you won't hunger for bread. You'll travel along the border but you need not fear."

The letter *dalet* which she found on my palm caused her some trouble and she was unable to explain it properly. I wouldn't worry about the letter *dalet* if I were her. I didn't look at her palm, because the next customer was impatient, but even without that, or the *mandel* or the appeal to God, I could have told her to worry about her home instead, because the house, like all in the district, seems to be on the verge of collapse.

Leaving the White Star, you turn right, into a street of a hundred little shops housed in old slum buildings with a few huts thrown in, each shop looking like a whole market. Fresh meat and fish and antiques of all kinds are sold here, while dozens of Yemenites squat on the sharp cobblestones selling variegated spices, each one hotter than the other. They make them from plants which they grow themselves and according to recipes they inherited from their ancestors.

In one cubby-hole of a shop you'll find a large poster of Paris men's fashions dated 1934. The bespectacled tailor, who shares the premises with a cobbler who repairs 1934 shoes, a kitchen-ware dealer and a vegetable hawker, (who has one foot in, and one out of the shop) tells you that he put up the poster when he started business in 1934. "They are all back in fashion again now," he says proudly, happy at his foresight in not throwing the models away. "Fashion is like a pail of water filling up. When it's full you empty it down the drain and start all over again." Except for the top hats. "They don't wear those in Tiberias or in Israel, except for dancing, I think."

Waiting to go out for the next catch of delectable Tiberias fish.
Photo by Hirshbein

Further up, Maimonides' Tomb has become the centre of attraction since some ancient graves were discovered on the site a fortnight ago. Pinhas, a hunchbacked bearded Yemenite, is busy there unearthing the skeletons and bits of pottery from the sarcophagi. Long and lean brown fingers handle the earth expertly and lovingly after four years with the Antiquities Department.

Another competitor is a fat old woman who is trying to barge her way into the Rambam deal and is continually chased off by the two men. "She works at Eshed," the crowd tells you. Her work there is begging. But since she heard that "a rich woman" gave money to dig up the dead on the Rambam site she fancies that the Netaz should be able to get along there just as well. Chased away, she stands a few yards off and curses the two men roundly much more generously than they are wont to bless.

Up above the town Kiryat Shmuel is developing. Many of the town's hotels have moved up there since Feingold pioneered the site in 1925. One hotelkeeper, aged 66 but looking far less, ("I take the baths"), is a veteran there. He first started in the business in Tiberias in 1918, with eight surplus camp beds he bought from the German Army units then retreating from the country. With them, and half a month's board paid in advance by ten teachers, he opened a hotel and pension, with all eight beds in one room.

Things have changed since then. People want more and are willing to pay more for it. Tourists are now regular guests as well. Down in the town he used to bring water from the springs right into the visitor's bath, but up in Kiryat Shmuel transport costs are prohibitive. The season is short, no more than four months. Often less. Whenever there is a "bit of trouble" along the borders the season is cut short — and there always has been a bit of trouble. Ever since 1918.

His hotel is open the year round, as it has been from the very first day. "We can do it because the whole family puts fifteen or sixteen hours a day into the business. Keeps down expenses for employees. Otherwise we'd have to close in summer and old-timers would laugh and say that Old Dov has given up."

When I asked him about the efficacy of the mineral springs he said, "Yes, the baths do help. I have seen guests come here who had to be carried up the stairs, but walked out without a stick two weeks later. Not completely cured, but no longer cripples either."

Leaving the town, but still below the sea-level marker, you pass the *ma'bara*, with a new housing estate going up above it. The pail of water is filling up and running over. It will be good to get above sea-level, *ma'bara-level*. "Not rich, no no, but not hungry for bread. Along the border, but not afraid." Tiberias needs peace.

You Go Back To Tiberias

AN American tourist-in-a-hurry said Israel was an ideal place to visit. Three days in a car and you'd seen it all, if you kept going. And such variety, too. The lush green Sharon and the wide horisons of the Negev. Big modern works in Haifa Bay, and ancient villages in Galilee. You can see it all in three days and even take it home on your colour photographs and every time they talk about Israel you can sit back and say, "Well, I was there and saw the whole place, and I can tell you..." Trouble is, that was five years ago, he said, and he has been here twice more since, the first time to show his wife, and the second time because the place was beginning to grow on him.

THAT is how it is with Tiberias. The first time that you top that last hill and see the big pale lake spread out before you, you say it's very beautiful and privately tourists think that the mountains that ring Swiss lakes are bigger and more impressive. The town is old but it is also ramshackle. If you look closely, it is poor and dirty rather than romantic. But towards evening the hills opposite turn pink and camel-colour and their shapes are obscurely camel shapes too. Mist rises from the water or drops from the hazy sky until the shores that seemed so prosaically close recede a hundred miles by nightfall. Once it is properly dark, an electrically lit map springs into existence. Up there that cluster is Safad: you can't see it in the daytime. Over the other side is Ein Gev and straggling a little way up the hill-side, Syrian outposts or possibly just a cottage. Leave the town to walk along the road that so conveniently rings the shore and the lights of Tiberias itself outline the spur on which the town is built. If you hadn't seen it by daylight you would think it an enchanted city.

BY next morning the white glare and a general air of oriental indifference have taken possession of the place again. If you are wise you will make use of the day to go up to Galilee or down to Degania or across to Ein Gev in a little motor-boat with an incredibly jaunty and nautical air, for so land-locked a place. Or you can make your way north of the town and settle down for the day on the sea wall of round black stones, under the huge eucalyptus trees that grow right down to the edge of the water. At some times of the day you can actually bathe in their shade if you do not mind sharing the water with the myriads of little fishes that the cool shade attracts. If you have come for your health and are serious about it, you can take the baths. They are certainly good for rheumatism and, it is said, for such general stiffness of the joints as comes with middle age. In any case even the shiny tiles and hygienic installations of the Hot Springs baths do not destroy the bather's conviction that he has taken part in a mystic ritual of purification, and he feels the better for it.

YOU may stay for a second timeless evening or leave the place at once never meaning to return. In any case you will be drawn back simply to see the light disappear another time from hills so ancient and untouched that their colours have drained and faded, leaving a pale, harmonious bowl to hold the shining water. In the evening, nothing moves. Even the tourists merely sit entranced, unable to go indoors until the last outlines of the hills have been swallowed up. *L.*

Radio Review

UNINSPIRED FEATURES

"FIVE Out of a Million and a Half," the feature on productivity broadcast last week, was based on a sound idea. It told the story of five recent immigrants who have broken world productivity records — two in cotton picking, three in a tire factory. The concept was good, not only because it gave deserved publicity to genuine achievement, but because the heroes and heroines were very ordinary people, living in *ma'barot* and new villages.

The method chosen was, however, completely uninspired. The story was broken up among four announcers who took sentences in rotation. This is one of the crudest and most primitive forms of radio. It can only be valid for very short items or to serve as a framework — but to build up a whole feature on this method is to induce monotony.

Nothing broke the succession of announcers — and the general effect was made more unbearable by one of the female speakers who had a "baby" voice completely unsuited for straight narration (or for almost any other radio purpose). The script, moreover, was marked by an ingenuous naivete which limited its appeal. If the subjects of the feature had been recorded telling their own story, and the multi-voiced narration built round this natural base, it could have been an inspiring and moving feature.

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THE significance of Erich Kastner's "Three Men in the Snow" is that it was presented at all. Until recently, a complete blackout hung over German literature (except by Jews or outstanding anti-Nazis). The situation in radio characterized the general inconsistency on the subject whereby Germany's great eighteenth-century musicians were featured daily, but the equally great eighteenth-century playwrights were tacitly banned; or whereby the music of Wagner — who died seventy years ago — was forbidden, while the novels of the virulently pro-Nazi Louis-Fernand Céline (from which he presumably draws royalties) are freely sold in our bookshops.

The first gesture towards an element of consistency was the performance of Schiller's "William Tell" during the summer and now we have had a modern German play to complete the picture. It remains a mystery, however, why such a routine farce as "Three Men in the Snow" was selected. It may have seemed very funny in Central Europe thirty years ago, but over the air it was all very artificial and obvious. Similar plots could have been discovered in the bread-and-butter farce of any European country — but why bother to exhume them? The whole effect, despite a competent cast, was about as subtle as a British pantomime.

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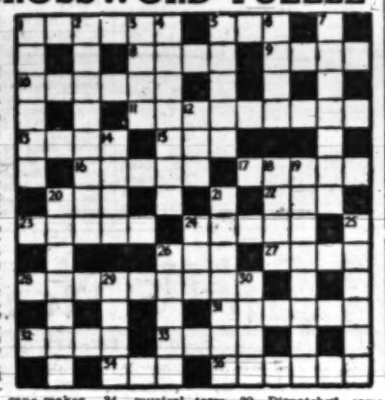
The interview with a robot in Saturday's newsreel was one of the most human touches of the week. It was a bright idea and came over impressively. It immediately made me toy with plans for an R.U.R. radio station run entirely by robots. Many of the existing announcers already qualify. *AUDIO*

PICK OF NEXT WEEK'S LISTENING: Round Table on Crime (Sunday at 5.30); Runaway Behind the Scenes by Ephraim Kishon (Monday at 9.30); Hagana Veterans' November 29 Assembly (Wednesday at 9.00); "Juliet and I" by Rodgers and Hammerstein (Thursday at 9.35).

POST CROSSWORD PUZZLE



ACROSS. — 1. Is worn on board? 5. Fighting dog? 8. Drop of water. 9. Hardly what one does in drowsy fashion. 10. Mother a person, just for luck. 11. It's more than possible that they'll run. 13. Fresh tea possibly immersed in pond water? 15. Exist. 16. Weights of an animal. 17. Small surface. 20. Boy who won't keep still? 22. Not only organised, but competed. 23. Means of secret communication. 24. Someone worth beating. 26. Is perhaps too heavy, and perhaps not. 27. It's indistinct. 28. They rally together. 31. Goes with Eva and Lea. 32. Power system. 33. French cane-maker. 34. Burned up. 35. Are they responsible for those flighty babies?

DOWN. — 1. Acting silently. 2. It's used in furniture making. 3. Not at the bottom. 4. Go over again. 5. Steal in and investigate. 6. Lovely food? 7. There's little in a gun to make people more kindly. 12. Tore the top off! 14. May be full of toothpaste. 18. East-West love. 19. A hundred times out of shelter. 20. Hails out of season? 21. Do we glint around eating them? 24. Bird of stone, we hear. 25. Bits of bread. 26. With which to illuminate a school sign? 29. Mainly a fishy musical term. 30. Dispatched some of your presents?

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

ACROSS. — 1. So-fa. 4. Stable. 8. Hut. 10. Epic. 13. Long-boat. 14. Miracle. 15. Eraser. 17. Hold hands. 21. Tay. 22. Len(gth). 23. Bib. 26. Cut a caper. 27. Tandem. 28. Badgers. 32. Venetian(blind). 34. Side. 35. (Ma)Gog. 36. Setter. 37. Peel.

DOWN. — 1. Shem. 2. Fair. 3. (sea)-Gull. 5. Tigers. 6. Boo(k). 7. Entire. 9. Toe. 11. Pilot. 12. Can-dy. 15. Edna. 16. Blip. 18. Lawn. 19. Alum. 20. Net. 23. Banza. 24. Bear-D. 25. St-oves. 26. Centre. 29. (In the) Bag. 29. (c)Anon. 30. Eire. 31. Seal. 33. Nut.

ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME
322, 249, 213 & 42.9 M.

News: Hebrew: 7 a.m. (tomorrow 8.30 a.m.) 1.30, 6.00, 6.15, 8.30 and 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News), 8 a.m., 2.15, 6.30 p.m.

TODAY

6.00 a.m. Morning Programme (Haifa only). 6.30 Service. 6.35 Exercise. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies (R). 9.00 Close Down. 12 N. "Music at Noon" Soloist: Israel Yitzhaki (R). 12.30 Military Bands (R). 12.50 Programme for Hospitals (R). 1.45 Break for Music. 2.30 Kabbalat Shabbat. 4.00 Children's Hour. 4.30 Chess Corner. 4.50 Classical Requests: Purcell: Cantata. Mendelssohn: Piano Concerto No.2 op.40 Britten: "Young Persons' Guide to the Orchestra." 7.00 "Shabbat Shalom." 8.00 Bible Reading. 8.15 Talk. 8.45 Friday Night Concert: Wolf Ferrari: Overture "Susanna's Secret" P. Ben-Haim: Concerto for Strings. Dvorak: Violin Concerto in A-minor. Brahms: Symphony no.3 in F-major. 10.45 Short Story. 10.30 Light Music. 11.10 Close Down.

TOMORROW

7.30 a.m. Service and Melodies. 8.40 Songs (R). 9.00 Morning Concert: Rossini: Matinees Musicales (arr. by Britten). Franck: "Le Chasseur Maudit." Carlo Surinach: Sinfonietta. 9.45 Operetta & Film. 10.15 Literature Corner. 10.45 Concert Hall: Schubert: Overture "Rosamunde." Brahms: Violin Concerto in D-major op. 77. Saint-Saens: Symphony No. 3. 12.15 Light Music. (R). 12.30 Requests (R). 1.00 Stages and Screens. 1.45 Cantoral Recordings. 3.00 Music of our Times: Greek Music. 3.40 Light Music. 3.50 Variety. 4.30 Readings. 4.35 Opera: Tchaikovsky: "Eugene Onegin." 5.40 Science Studio 7.00 Hamavdil. 7.04 Guests in the Studio. 7.15 Talk. 7.35 Folk Dances. 7.50 Questions and Answers. 8.15 Bible Reading. 8.40 Sports. 8.45 Newsreel. 9.00 Melave Malka. 9.30 "Allegro Con Brio." 10.00 Folk Dances. 10.20 Dance Music. 12.00 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
407, 480, 235, 214, 42.9 & 32.3 M.
English News: 1.45, 10.15 p.m.
French News: 2.00 p.m.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR (32.3, 34.9 & 468 M.): 6.30 French. 7.00 Yiddish. 7.30 Ladino. 8.00 Close Down. 8.45 Rumanian. 9.00 Hungarian. 9.15 Close Down.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (32.3 M.): Today: 4.30 News. 4.35 The Week in the Knesset. 4.50 Yedidia Admon: "The Song of Debora." 7.00 Hebrew Programme: From week to week. Tomorrow: 6.30 News. 6.35 South Africans in Israel. 6.45 Saturday Evening at the Eden Hotel. 7.00 Hebrew Programme. From week to week. Today: 11.15 Readings. 11.25 News. 11.30 Yedidia Admon: "The Song of Deborah." 11.45 "On behalf of Israel."

Tomorrow: 11.15 Shavua Tov. News Programme Highlights. 11.25 This Also Happened. 11.30 This Week in the Knesset. 11.45 Saturday Night at the Eden Hotel, Haifa.

ARMY PROGRAMME (44.6, 214, 235 & 468 M.): Today: 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Bible Reading. 6.40 Concert. 7.00 This Week's Events. 7.40 Music. 8.30 News. 8.45 "Galei Zahal's Weekly." 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

Tomorrow: 6.30 p.m. Opening. 6.35 Music (R). 7.00 Variety Programme. 7.30 Terms in the News. 7.40 "Jazz." 8.00 Pleasant Tunes. 8.40 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS: (16.79, 16.96, 19.42, 25.15 M.): 7.30-8.00 p.m. Today: News. News Talk. British Album. Tomorrow: News. News Talk. Press Review.

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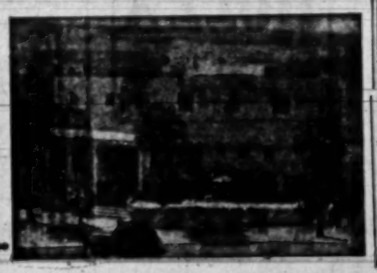

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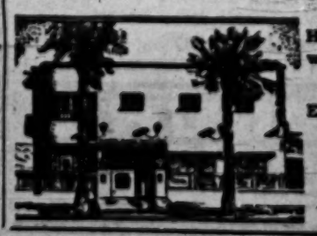

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CITY OF UNUSED OPPORTUNITIES

By Y. Ardon

THE first sight of the British-built police station at the approach to Tiberias brings back the period when a British District Commissioner and a British Police Superintendent held sway between them over Upper and Lower Galilee, including the mixed town of Tiberias. No Arabs live in it today, and in these days it is worth recalling how they left. A contemporary record has this to say:

Following a month-long Arab-Jewish truce, conscientiously kept by both sides, heavy fighting had broken out again, while the British were still officially controlling the town. After some days of fighting — mainly in the Old City — the British issued an ultimatum to the Jews: the Haganah was to evacuate a certain strongpoint near the Old City before 12 noon; if not, the British Army would shell it.

The Haganah, though greatly inferior in manpower and equipment, decided, in consultation with the local Jewish authorities, to reject the ultimatum, and to face the worst. Half an hour before the deadline, they were again approached by the British, but again refused. Then it became 12 o'clock. One minute past. Nothing happened.

Then Mr. Moshe Weiss of the Jewish Community Council (today the Mayor, Ed.) was summoned to the British Commander. He was informed that the ultimatum had been called off at the very last minute, by higher orders. But the Tiberians believe to this day that it was simply because they themselves had won the war of nerves.

Then the British proclaimed a curfew, and whilst the Jews were in their houses, the British loaded the entire Arab population of Tiberias on trucks, with their luggage, and evacuated them in the directions of Nazareth and of Transjordan. It was the first British-sponsored evacuation in Palestine.

The hillside on the Tiberias side of the Lake is alive with young trees and the promise of a wood, though at one point a PICA forest seems to have suffered from fire. No greater contrast could be imagined than the hills which face us from the Transjordan side. There erosion has been malignantly working at the hills for centuries, if not millennia. Their bald, forbidding slopes are furrowed with gullies. They squat lifeless under the heavy sun, as if beyond hope of redemption.

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At the Tourist Information Centre, a well-dressed young man puts himself at my service, and when he hears that I want a single room without board, he suggests, with alacrity that I take the vacant room at his own

Peace of the centuries lies upon the living beauty of Tiberias. Photo by Hirshbein

home — "IL3 a day." He writes down his address and suggests that I call before 4 p.m.

I tell him I have an appointment down-town that might keep me longer than that. "Never mind, you can take a taxi. Special, 80 grush." I gather that this professional tourist welcomer is not misled by my khaki dress, but gauges my spending powers correctly, and would be better placed in the Income Tax Department. His note does not reveal his name, and I ask him for it. The reply is that the taxi driver will take me direct to the house, the only one at that address. "No mistake possible." Discouraged by such anonymous hospitality, I look for accommodation elsewhere.

There are beautiful public gardens in the town, and the one in Kiryat Shmuel is a jewel. Its flowers, trees and cacti grow luxuriously and are watered daily if it does not rain. Tiberias' new residential quarters, put up for Histadrut and other veterans as well as for recent settlers, look comfortable and well-built. Their inhabitants' names have already been entered in the municipal tax register, but their homes still require many trees and much greenery in order to be absorbed into the landscape. The palm trees planted along the main road look very stately and decorous, but they are parsimonious dispensers of shade, which is a precious commodity in the Jordan Valley climate.

The Hot Springs are a natural resource of this country, which the bulk of the population has hardly begun to appreciate. Just outside the new bath-house is the phenomenal spring which spews up more than 83 tons of water every hour from the depths of the earth. The mineral water steams out at 60° centigrade, too hot to touch. It is stored in a reservoir till it cools down to a tolerable 38° in the pools and tubs.

The water is wholesome to bathe in but nasty to drink. If you are familiar with the taste of Epsom salts then you have a good idea of what Tiberias mineral water is like—its purgative virtues were already noted by Dr Maimonides some 800 years ago. No wonder — the 83 tons of water issuing every hour contain two and a half tons of mineral salts, more than the average hourly output of the Atlit Salt Works.

It is surprising that the people of Israel do not take advantage of this medical asset during the rest of the year. It is known that the Romans did. A great many Tiberians take the waters not as a cure, but as a preventive. I met a 65-year-old municipal tax collector, who was born in Tiberias, as were his parents. He takes his hot mineral bath every Friday, summer or winter, and feels "as fit as a fiddle." He climbs up and down stairs and hills to collect his taxes, and hopes to keep in shape for a long time yet.

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But the Hot Springs are not enough. Man's initiative is needed in addition to that of nature in order to spur the town's development. A Post Office is needed in Kiryat Shmuel, telephone lines to Tel Aviv, Haifa and Galilee are still inadequate, mainly during the bathing season when the guests wait in a queue for trunk calls. Equipment for an automatic exchange has been lying idle for a long time for lack of housing.

Tiberias has a distinguished past to live up to. It is brought home vividly to the visitor of the well-kept, tastefully arranged museum of antiquities, right on the lakeside. Its treasures are still few — archaeologists are not usually free to leave their finds to the museum closest to the site of their labours. If they could, Tiberias would soon have a large museum.

The neighbourhood abounds with historical sites, some going back to the periods before Tiberius became emperor and the object of adulation by provincial rulers like Herod jr., who went to the trouble of building a town to name after him. His effort, however, was economically justified, because Tiberias seems to have made a comfortable living in ancient times as a spa for the Romans and for those of their provincial subjects who could afford it.

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If the town today has almost no unemployment, this is owing to the remarkable managerial and industrial initiative that has come out of Jordan Valley settlements in recent years. About 750 men are now employed in two and three shifts in the Kelet plywood and Sefen fibreboard plants, owned by Afikim, her neighbours, and the Ampal Finance Corporation in New York.

The quality of their products is said to be so highly regarded in Europe and America that orders come in faster than they can be filled. It is puzzling for the economist that there is a good profit to be had in shipping huge logs from West Africa to Haifa, carrying them by truck across the country where it is at its widest and hilliest, processing them and sending the finished product the same hard way back to Europe, or the U.S. Yet the enterprises flourish, and as long as they do, Tiberias Labour Exchange officials are happy and the new residents make a fair, productive living.

For the Young

Women aspiring to innocent elf will take great interest in Seventeen's latest — a white boxy jacket embroidered with the envied age — so blatantly advertised.

AT the fashion show held last Friday by Salon Seventeen, all-day dresses, afternoon frocks, little tweed costumes, coats and jackets for the more sophisticated teenagers and the early twenties, were shown. Most models had separate skirts and blouses of the same material, a feature very popular with this age group.

A tweed costume, trimmed with green wool, was worn with a pert green cap and gloves. Both wide and tight jumpers for office and all-day wear, with matching coats, had that simple youthful note.

Silver Yemenite embroidery trimmed a plain black sweater and skirt for dress-up wear. A bottle-green velveteen skirt, richly gathered, also had silver embroidery on the pockets and was worn with a silver-fringed green sweater.

In the jackets, a boxy reversible one was flaming red for daytime and black, embroidered with red music notes, for concerts.

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Fight for Franchise

JORDAN women will have the full support of the Council of Ulama, the highest Jordan Moslem authority, in their fight for full civil rights and the franchise, if they behave decently, stop following fashion's latest edicts and generally conduct themselves within the framework of the teachings of Islam, writes "El Jihad," the Jordan daily.

The appeal to the Council to sanction the freedom of Jordan women was made following the decisions of the recently concluded "All-Arab Women's Conference" in Beirut. The conference urged the women to press their case through all channels until the necessary laws were passed.

HOT SPRINGS PROSPECTS

Jerusalem Post Reporter

THE past three years have brought a decided change for he better at the Tiberias Hot Springs, a change which has expressed itself not only in the modernization programme but also in a series of small reforms.

First among these is the elimination of tipping, carried out during the course of last year with the cooperation of the Labour Council over the objections of some of the employees. A flat addition has been substituted, and the result has been equal service for all.

Patrons used to bring their own sheets and towels to wrap themselves in after the bath. Sanitary standards have been raised since the company undertook to supply them on the spot. Standards of service and cleanliness have also generally improved.

One of the continuing difficulties, even now that the new wing has been opened, is the queuing up in the winter months as most patrons seem to believe that bathing then is more beneficial than during the autumn and early spring. Medical research has proved this belief to be without foundation, and it is now up to the company to effect a revolution in the public's bathing habits through an education campaign and through the granting of reductions for bathers in the low season.

Prospects for the future include the extension of medical supervision to include a trained staff of male and female nurses, and possibly the institution of a compulsory medical examination for bathers. Although such a test is necessary for the prescription of the exact treatment of each patient (individual needs vary greatly) as well as for the elimination of possible harm through excessive bathing, there are those who maintain that the additional fees involved would put bathing out of reach of many patients. A commission composed of representatives of the Hebrew University, the Ministry of Health and the Medical Association has been appointed to decide the question at the request of the company, but much medical research is involved and the findings are not expected to be published this year.

MAIMONIDES MONUMENT

IN commemoration of the 750th anniversary of the death of Maimonides, the Ministry for Religious Affairs, together with the Government Tourist Corporation and the Ministry of Labour, is putting up a monument over the traditional site of his grave in Tiberias. Situated in a three-dunam garden and costing some IL-100,000, the memorial should be ready by Spring. The plan, is the creation of the Tel Aviv architect, Mr. U. Schiller.

During the past few weeks, the excavations for the building, which are being directed by the Department of Antiquities, have uncovered a mausoleum containing several graves in the vicinity of the tomb attributed to Rabbi Yohanan Ben Zakkai. The arrangement of the graves corroborates descriptions of the site by Benjamin of Tudela and Rabbi Ya'acov Ben Natanel, lending strength to the belief that Rabbi Yohanan Ben Zakkai and his disciples are actually buried there.

Tiberias Fish for Superb Dishes

By Molly Lyons Bar-David

FAMOUS for its fish since Bible days, Tiberias can still take a bow when its catch turns up at the table. One of my most exciting early adventures in Israel was sitting by Lake Kinneret watching the fishermen, cast their nets, as they did in ancient days, and then turn out their haul on the sand. A little Arab girl cleaned a few fish for us and grilled them over an open flame, and we had a wonderful picnic. Today, the boats of Ein Gev, as well as the Arabs along the shore, bring us these wonderful fish.

Winter is the season for buying Tiberias fish on the local markets. You will find three main kinds: Tiberias sardines, Tiberias carp, and "Musecht." The latter is known as the "Masrek" (comb) fish in Hebrew, but, alas, since it knows no English-speaking waters and is an unadulterated *sabra* of many generations I can give you only these Arabic and Hebrew names. All three fish are delicate and delicious, and here are a few ways to prepare them.

Stuffed Baked Whole Carp

Select a large fish and, if the size of your oven allows it, leave the head and tail on. Clean and rub inside with salt. Stuff fish (stuffings below). Sew up or fasten with toothpicks or skewers, loop string over row of skewers or toothpicks as you would lace a shoe. Place fish, underside down, in a greased baking dish. Rub outside with salt and melted margarine. Sprinkle with pepper. Bake in a moderate oven until fish flakes easily with a fork. Serve garnished with parsley and lemon slices.

Rice and Olive Stuffing

½ cup raw rice, 1 chopped onion, 1 cup chopped celery stalk, 3 tbsps. margarine, 1 cup chopped olives, Salt and pepper to taste, ¼ tsp. sage (salvia), ¼ tsp. thyme, 1 egg.

Cook rice in boiling water. Fry onion and celery in margarine. Add olives, seasonings, egg and cooked rice. This makes enough stuffing for a 2-kilo fish. Note: Freshly dried herbs may be obtained from Mrs. Charouti, Bat Yam, who will mail packages of most local varieties.

Bread Stuffing

1½ cups bread cubes, Salt and pepper to taste, ¼ tsp. thyme or marjoram, 1 onion, chopped, 3 tbsps. melted margarine.

Combine all ingredients. Enough stuffing for two kilos of fish.

Baked Tiberias Musebt

1 kilo fish, Salt and pepper to taste, 1 onion, sliced, 1 lemon, sliced thin, ½ bottle tomato ketchup, ½ cup sherry wine (not cherry brandy), 2 tbsps. melted margarine.

Place fish (whole or sliced) in a shallow baking dish. Sprinkle with salt and pepper; arrange onion slices and lemon slices over the top. Mix ketchup, sherry and melted margarine, pour carefully over fish. Bake for about one hour (until fish flakes when tested with a fork).

Pan-Fried Tiberias Sardines

1 kilo Tiberias sardines, 1 tsp. salt, ¼ tsp. pepper, ½ cup flour, 1 egg lightly beaten, 1 tbsp. water, Bread crumbs, ¼ cup fat.

Wipe sardines with damp cloth. Sprinkle with flour which has been seasoned with salt and pepper. Dip in combined egg and water, then roll in bread crumbs. Brown in hot fat in shallow frying pan.

Tiberias Fish in Sour Cream

1 kilo fish, cut in serving pieces, 1½ tsps. salt, 1 cup sour cream, Chopped parsley and celery, 1 grated onion, Dash of cayenne or paprika 1 tbsp. white mild vinegar.

Place fish in baking dish. Sprinkle with salt. Combine remaining ingredients and pour over. Bake in moderate oven (wonder pot is fine) for about half an hour.

Tiberias Fish in Piquant Sauce

½ kilo fish, 1 tbsp. oil, 1 tbsp. vinegar, 2 tbsps. minced onion, 1 cup cooked green peas, 1 tsp. salt, 2 tbsps. Worcestershire sauce (optional), ½ cup ketchup, ¼ cup water, 1 red and 1 green pepper, chopped 1 tbsp. dill pickles, chopped.

Wipe fish with damp cloth. Cut into serving pieces. Bring oil, vinegar, onion, salt, Worcestershire, ketchup and water to boil in top part of double boiler. Add pickles and then fish. Cover and cook over boiling water for about half an hour. Add peas, heat thoroughly and serve. Four large services.

Fish Mornay

1 kilo of any large type fish, 1 cup fish liquid, 4 tbsps. butter or margarine, 3 tbsps. flour, 1 tsp. salt, ¼ tsp. pepper, 1½ cup milk or part cream, 1 tsp. lemon juice, ¼ cup grated yellow cheese, Minced parsley or paprika.

Simmer fish gently in just over 1 cup seasoned water (salt, pepper, onion, carrot or celery). Drain and reserve the liquid. Melt butter, blend in flour, salt and pepper. Add milk and fish liquid slowly and cook until thickened, stirring constantly. Add lemon juice and cheese and cook over low heat until cheese is melted. Arrange fish on a hot platter and pour sauce over it. Sprinkle with minced parsley or paprika and serve at once.

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½ kilo fish, Seasoned flour, ¼ cup oil, ½ cup butter, ½ cup finely shredded blanched almonds, 2 tsps. lemon juice, Finely chopped parsley.

Roll fish in seasoned flour. Fry in oil over medium heat for about 10 minutes until done. Meanwhile melt butter in another saucepan. Add almonds and fry over medium heat until delicately browned. Arrange fish on hot platter. Top with fried almonds and sprinkle with chopped parsley and lemon juice. Garnish and serve.

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BYWAYS OF LOVE

By PAULA ARNOLD

THE DOVES OF VENUS. By Olivia Manning. — Heinemann, London. 213 pp., 12/6.

This is a competent, interesting, clever and straightforwardly written novel, with the flashback handled most efficiently — telling what we should know of background and past history of each character as he or she comes into the foreground.

Its charm lies in the fluid, effortless narrative, which takes us gently, humorously through a young girl's first year in London — and entices us on to finish it at one sitting, even though nothing happens to her beyond a disastrous love affair with an appalling middle-aged man, Quintin, who seeks industriously and for ever fresh little girls with the peach-bloom still upon them, the "Doves of Venus," while at the same time making good use of well-to-do older women who are crazy about him.

Ellie is eighteen years old, a half-baked art student from Eastbourne, Miss Manning's pet aversion among towns, and the daughter of a restaurant-keeper, her pet aversion among types of women. She leaves her mother and seeks her fortune in London, finding work in an antique shop — a factory rather. The horrible manageress, one of Quintin's ladies, is down on her. The "paint room" of that shop is devastatingly well done, with its inevitable couple of homosexuals, one a painter, one a frustrated script writer, and a long-line of ever-changing women painters.

All the disagreeable characters come out brilliantly, even Quintin's wife, who no longer lives with him and finds a succession of more or less shady providers by faking suicide. Here Miss Manning perhaps overdoes it a little, making the woman not only promiscuous, lazy, slatternly, but also a pub-crawler and a malicious beast.

Ellie begins delightfully, with a freshness and childishness that captivates us as it does her elderly lover — but alas, we soon cease to believe in her, she alone among these vivid people becomes unreal, contrived. It seems that such a sustainedly pleasant character is beyond the author's grasp. Where we balk definitely is in the last pages, when Ellie falls in love and is married most suitably, primly and happily to a young artist we have fleetingly met before. It could happen — why not? But we should either not be told about it at all, or in a satisfactory manner, not as an afterthought. Strangely enough, Wouk's *Marjorie Morningstar* has the same unbalanced and unintegrated ending.

The book is not by far as depressing as Miss Manning's last, in spite of the huge canvas of unpleasant people. That strange and lovable phenomenon that is London is evoked affectionately and graphically. When Miss Manning speaks of Big Ben *furred with scaffolding*, when she describes river and sky in Battersea on a winter evening, we see it before us entranced. She is also extremely clever at terse psychological statements, as when she makes the unfortunate painter in the antique shop do the paper work his friend should have done *with the speed and competence of extreme irritation.*

The "Doves of Venus" (what a wonderful title!) belongs to the long line of English post-war novels that might make one despair of England — did one not know it; and yet, it is a most impressive book.

SIMA SLONIM: BRIDE

From the current exhibition at the Artists House, Jerusalem.

Songs of Jerusalem

YERUSHALAYIM HESHIBATENU HAHADASHA (Jerusalem in our Modern Poetry). By Shalom Ben Baruch.—Masa, Jerusalem. 352 pp.

Few are the cities of the world whose crown glows with Jerusalem's glory. Hundreds of poems have celebrated it since the immortal song of our ancient sources. But in how many of these numerous verses by over 200 poets is Jerusalem only a name and a poor echo of those great, concrete tangibilities of the Biblical usage? Personally, we still find only in Karmi's poems the one extensive body of poetry that truly burns with an everlasting flame, the fruit of an inspired, genuine emotional fusion with the city and its countryside.

There are a few more single or small groups of poems in our recent poetry (to except Bialik's generation). Fichman, Bat Mirham, perhaps something by the young poet Karmi — these are poetry. Most of the remaining hundreds are not; or they are too little 'Jerusalem' to deserve the honour of its name. There may be a few more odd poems (among the religious poets?) but since the author quotes sections of poems only, it is hard to judge without referring to the complete works. We should mention, in this context, that there are two other recent anthologies on Jerusalem, Haim Toren's and Ya'acov Cohen's.

Labour of Love

Shalom Ben Baruch has obviously pursued his subject as a work of love, so that it is distressing to find it so prejudiced and so unobjective. If he really meant "not to criticize and evaluate, but to present an historical-literary review," what was the need to rub Ratush and his Canaanites for not writing poetry on Jerusalem? And why label the "Progressive Culture" poets as authors who: "do not generally write about subjects as the Homeland, *Halutziut*, the Ingathering of the Exiles; but they celebrate May First, the Revolution, Stalin and Stalingrad, Indonesia and China etc." So if one of the gentlest spirits we had, the late Aryeh Ludwig Strauss, wrote a "Hymn to Asia" in 1932 and called upon its peoples to listen to his song from his "torn city" in which he dreams of the day when hands will reach over the dividing walls to clasp each other — he can only earn an acid insinuation about "bi-nationalism." Yet on the other hand, how rapturously Ben Baruch writes about a militaristic poem found among Imber's verses. As for us, we still prefer his Hatikvah which ends: *Return my people, in peace to your land...*

DOV VARDI

ISLAMIC CULTURE

ISLAM: ESSAYS IN THE NATURE AND GROWTH OF A CULTURAL TRADITION. By G.E. von Grunebaum. — Routledge, London. 260 pp., 21/-.

Just out in its British edition, this volume was originally published as Memoir No. 81 with the April, 1955 issue of "The American Anthropologist." It is one of the series entitled "Comparative Studies in Cultures and Civilizations," in which, the Editors hope, the work of the social scientist will move to meet the humanist's.

Professor von Grunebaum is an Orientalist, and his book does not purport to be an anthropological study. What anthropology there may be in it (it is issued under the auspices of the American Anthropological Association) resides in the fact that in some of the papers the author deals with aspects which, broadly speaking, belong to the realm of cultural anthropology. The Editors are convinced, moreover, that this comparatively young discipline should benefit from the work and "library studies" of the humanist.

The papers treat a wide range of subjects, covering every aspect of Islamic culture and including observations on Arab culture and Arabic literature. To the reader whose interests are limited to contemporary Islam and its problems and prospects, the most interesting section is the one entitled "Encounters." Opening with a dissertation on Islam and Hellenism, it concludes with a paper on Westernization and the theory of cultural borrowing, criticizing Arnold Toynbee's recent pronouncements on the subject.

As readers of "The World and the West" and the concluding volumes of "A Study of History" may recall, Toynbee interpreted the phenomenon of cultural borrowing in terms of four theses: a) that individual traits of an alien culture will be more readily admitted than that culture as a whole; b) that "the penetrative power of a strand of cultural radiation is usually in inverse ratio to this strand's cultural value;" c) that if one element of an alien civilization is admitted, it will draw after it the rest; and d) that "the less element may be more disturbing to the receiving civilization than the whole would have been."

Professor von Grunebaum's rejection of these theses seems half-hearted and rather unconvincing. He objects to them on two counts. He cites examples, from the eighth and ninth centuries, of borrowings by Islamic civilization of such culture traits as Indian medicine and mathematics, Greek logic and philosophy, and Iranian administrative techniques and political thinking, and maintains that these borrowings neither compelled ever-renewed additional borrowings nor did they prove disruptive. The reason, we are told, was "the reversed political situation ... Islam then was not on the defensive. It adopted alien possibilities for its own ends, and it did so unhurriedly; the pressures to which it yielded were ... not imposed from outside." Not so in our own time, when "the political involvement that directs the culture transfer ... makes it psychologically and socially so difficult and so disruptive for the receiving group."

The author's real argument is that Toynbee's theses cannot be accepted as universal laws governing the theory of cultural borrowing. This is true, no doubt, but it does not detract from their value and relevance to the very real predicament in which every thinking non-Westerner finds himself today.

NISSIM REJWAN

DESERT REBEL

HEROES OF THE EMPTY VIEW. By James Aldridge—Knopf, New York (first American Edition). 423 p.p.

Though the book contends that the empty view is the desert of the Arab nomad, yet one cannot help realizing that it is the view that the hero holds which is empty. Yet it is more than a view. It is a conviction, a faith in that "absolute freedom," which, in this world of ours — with the impact of the machine, materialistic ideology and power politics — is remote from reality.

Gordon, the hero, a second Lawrence of Arabia, needed a tribal revolt to preserve this "god-like" freedom in what seemed to him and to Hamid (an unbelievable Beduin sheikh), the last place in this machine-trodden world where it could be found. But the revolt is doomed to failure. Hamid, the tribal nomad, had to resort to Zein, the underground Marxist agitator and to his city and peasant rebels, themselves a by-product of the machine age which Gordon had set himself to fight. The hero's realisation of the futility of his "act of truth" came too late, a poignant anti-climax to an almost unbearably tense episode. Gordon's tragedy was wrought by the death of his heroic view. The matter overwhelmed the spirit. The machine triumphed.

The author, well-known for his best-seller "The Diplomat" has again, and with less success, used the Middle East as a setting. Mr. Aldridge seems to be less familiar with Arabs than he is with Persians. His characters are unreal, his attempt at creating an Arab atmosphere by the use of florid idioms and expressions is almost Persian. But above all he fails in depicting the mentality of the simple Beduin who is sometimes made to talk like a sophisticated Oxford freshman. This unreality is even conveyed when he lets his English hero indulge in long-winded speeches in the most abstract terms about the "personal chasm (between the Beduin and the means to attain his absolute freedom) which he must leap by intellect." But if he has failed conspicuously — maybe because he does not aim primarily at describing the Arab — he has fully succeeded with his vivid representation of Gordon's life and intellectual revolt.

ARIEH LOVA

Reflections On Judaism

IYUNIM BAYAHADUT (Reflections on Judaism). By Y.O. Wolfsberg. — Mosad Harav Kook. 256 pp.

The learned doctor has endeavoured to cramp into the orbit of this small book such an ambitious host of themes encompassing a trinity of Judaism, the People of Israel and the State of Israel that even a popular-science approach must needs get lost.

One is inclined to suggest that the book should be re-named "Headings" rather than "Reflections," so often oversimplified is its approach and so great its quantity at the expense of quality. Nonetheless, in the first chapter, there are some clear definitions and classifications on some Jewish schools of thought, and in the third, a reasoned but unsubstantiated plea for the renewal of the Sanhedrin as a kind of Upper House of Parliament.

I consider as unscientific the author's attempt (so typical of Gola mentality) to speak of a Jewish spirit in scientists like Ehrlich and Freud. This is simply sentimental confusion, for Freud at least did a conspicuous disservice to religious Judaism; nor did he show particular modesty (a virtue which the author ascribes to Freud as typically Jewish) in his last letter to Dr. Y.L. Magnes of the Hebrew University (see Prof. Rosenbaum's publication of those letters in a recent issue of the "American Journal of Psychology").

Yet when all is said and done, "Iyunim Bayahadut" will prove a stimulating primer for Jewish youth clubs.

DIE GLAUBENSSTUFEN DES JUDENTUMS (Stages of Faith in Judaism). By Friedrich Thieberger. —Speman, Stuttgart. 239 pp.

The object of this book is to give the layman a systematic survey of the development of the Jewish religion from its early beginnings until the time after the destruction of the First Temple, the period during which classical monotheism emerged and so, through Judaism begat Christianity and Islam.

The author recognises five distinct phases of development which grew out of the monotheistic background of biblical history: faith of the Torah; prophecy and temple service; effects of the first exile; the canonization of the Law; and lastly, the "fencing in of the Law" and mystical upsurges. Throughout, he stresses the inter-connection between Jewish history and the monotheistic attitude as the formative characteristic of the Jewish nation.

Of special interest is Thieberger's conception of the realistic maintinence of Moses, "Our Teacher," in contrast to non-Jewish ideas of holiness, the Jewish introduction of communal prayer; the remarkable silence in biblical literature on eschatological speculations regarding paradise and hell; and the questionable contrasts of 'Shechina-mysticism' of the Pharisees versus the 'prayer-mysticism' of the Essenes.

On all these subjects, Prof. Thieberger has to offer highly interesting observations that will challenge the student of the Bible.

B. BLUMENTHAL

ISRAEL THROUGH HER PIONEERS

SOUND THE GREAT TRUMPET. Edited by M.Z. Frank. Whittier Books. 450 pp. $5.00.

M.Z. Frank has been writing on Zionism and explaining Palestine and Israel to American readers for more than three decades. Yet it is no exaggeration to state that in his first book, Mr. Frank has done more to clarify the thinking of the Israelis, to point out the historical events which led to the establishment of the Jewish State than in his years of journalism. This is no disparagement of his timely journalism. It is a tribute to the comprehensiveness and alive quality of "Sound the Great Trumpet." It is, at the same time, a compliment to the publisher of Whittier Books that he has recognized the value of this manuscript.

This book is not presented to show how Israelis write, "but to show how Jews in Palestine and Israel lived in various periods." The editor has made his selections through short stories, essays, letters, vignettes, biographical and factual data. Nearly everything is taken from the Hebrew, in direct translations, in abridgements, in condensations. What is of particular value are Frank's own brief, excellent essays, in which he depicts the period in which his selected material was written or about which it is written.

Among the contributors are David Ben-Gurion, Chaim Weizmann, Moshe Smilansky, Vladimir Jabotinsky, S.J. Agnon, Henrietta Szold and a large number of other prominent Zionist idealists, early settlers, noted novelists and political leaders, as well as little-known sabras, young martyrs of the War of Liberation, and sensitive, poetic Israelis aware of the accomplishments of their generation.

Each *aliya* is described and depicted in realistic terms; the difficulties under which the Jews worked to reclaim the soil of the fallow, dormant land are related in sombre, yet sometimes light-hearted terms. The melting-pot of Israel, which has boiled sixty-odd nationalities, is also presented here, and, in one of his own little essays, Frank tells the story of Shmuel Fuchs, Shlomo Zemach and David Green, three lads in Pionsk who, in 1903, talked about coming to Palestine. Fuchs went to America, Zemach to Palestine and David Green became David Ben-Gurion. The selections, short as they are, from Zemach's experiences, are new to this reviewer, and while much of the material here can be found through assiduous research, M.Z. Frank has not only brought it all together but has brought history back to life.

While there are other volumes which are useful and illuminating, I cannot, at the moment, think of a better book than "Sound the Great Trumpet" to give the feeling, the emotions, the background of the men and women, courageous and imaginative, who truly created the State of Israel.

HAROLD W. RIBALOW

DICTIONARY OF MUSICAL TERMS

MILON LE'MUNAHEI HAMUSIKA. (A Dictionary of Musical Terms — Hebrew-Italian-English-French-German). Published by The Hebrew Language Academy. — Am Oved. 302 pp.

Each successive volume of the Hebrew Language Academy's specialised dictionaries raises the problem of their function. Academic dictionaries generally authorize existing usage — in the case of Hebrew they have to authorize part of the existing usage, modify other parts, and invent all the rest.

This is a very artificial process, quite contrary to the natural growth of language, and scholars are not always the best word-creators, but the job should be done. The results are inevitably mixed. The real problem is to what extent the dictionaries are consulted and their contents absorbed by those working in the field covered. The younger generation of musicians in this country is Hebrew-educated and thus not very amenable to changing its language habits.

Well, there isn't very much to change. Almost all the internationally accepted Italian words remain, as they should, since Italian words are euphonious to a Hebrew ear. (It was Purcell himself who perhaps first introduced *Adagio, Grave, Presto, Largo, Vivace,* and *Piano* into English usage in his preface to his "Sonnatas in III Parts"). A heptachord remains a heptachord. Only rarely does one find so perfect an equivalent for a word as the post-biblical *aboov* for oboe, which is long in use.

The question is this: will musicians and music lovers start saying *diet* instead of duet, *tutsh* instead of chord, *nasek* and *nakkot* for sharp and flat, *rubiv* and *soir* for major and minor, *revii* instead of *revi'ya* for quartet? If they do not, then the dictionary, in another sense, remains truly academic.

M. M.

Ruth Blumenthal: Jowess from Morocco.

From the current exhibition at Tiberias.

Stamp of the Week

One of the major questions exercising the minds of world statesmen right now is how to turn atomic energy into a blessing for humanity instead of a menace.

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